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### **Afghan Peace Effort Hits** A Snag at a Crucial Point

Rapid Gains by Taleban Fighting Force May Make UN Envoy's Plan Irrelevant

By John F. Burns

KABUL - After years of frustration, a United Nations effort to bring peace to Afghanistan has reached a critical point as an envoy has begun a round of shuttle diplomacy aimed at bringing the maio warring groups into a oew coalition gov-

The UN representative, Mahmoud Mestiri, had hoped that a new multiparty gov-erning council would take power in Kabul, the capital, on Monday. But as he opened the talks, Mr. Mestiri said that deadline would not be met.

The peace effort seemed to have snagged on the very thing that had brought rapid momentum to Mr. Mestiri's efforts in recent weeks: the sudden military successes of a oew Alghan fighting force known as Taleban. Io four months, it has taken control of nearly half the country in an offensive that began in Kandahar, Afghanistan's second-largest city.

[It now appears that the transition is days away, if not longer, as Afghan factions jockey to improve their political positions. The Associated Press reported Sun-

day from Kabul.
[President Burhanuddin Rabbani has agreed to step down, but he indicated Sunday that he first wants the Taleban to join the commission. The Taleban generally support the UN peace plan, but so far have refused to sign up. They seek a strict Islamic government and say they will not join any council unless it is made up of good Muslims."

In Islamabad, Pakistan, meanwhile, a fundamentalist mujahidin leader withdrew his nominee from the proposed council Sunday, accusing Mr. Mestiri trying to impose an un-Islamic government, Agence France-Presse reported. Mowlavi Yunus Khalis of the Islamie Party faction an-nounced his support for Taleban, but asked them "not to deviate" from their proclaimed goal of enforcing strict Islamie

The Taleban sprang up when students at Muslim religious schools banded together last fall to rid the country of armed factions that had divided the country into flets and preyed on ordinary Alghans.

Last week, Taleban units pushed almost to the gates of Kabul, then balted, apparently to review tactics for dealing with the less of the former resistance leaders.

government of President Rabbani. After arriving here on Friday, Mr. Mestiri ac-knowledged that the Taleban offensive had changed the political landscape in a way that could alter or even doom his plans, although peace efforts are closer to success than at any time since they began

more than a decade ngo.

"When I took this job, everybody said it was mission impossible, but I said, I will try," said Mr. Mestiri, a former foreign minister of Tunisia, "Now, I think we made some progress. We are heading in the right direction. But how long it will take, God alone knows."

In earlier talks with Mr. Mestiri, Mr. Rabbani agreed to cede power to a new transitional governing council made up of representatives of the mujahidin, Muslim resistance groups that formed to battle Soviet forces that occupied Afghanistan in

The Soviet forces withdrew in 1989, and the mujahidin fell into civil war among themselves three years later when the Soviet-installed Communist government in Kabul collapsed.

Along with those eight groups from the anti-Soviet resistance, the new council proposed by the United Nations would include five regional groups that have established power in key provincial cities.

With each of these groups taking one seat on the council, for a total of 13, Mr.

Mestiri proposed adding an almost equal number of "prominent personalities," individuals who have played no part in the fighting that ravaged the country for the

last 16 years.

The UN plan made little headway until last mooth, when the swift successes of the Taleban, pressing toward Kahul from Kandahar, persuaded several warring factions to bury their differences and accept the proposal.

The problem oow is that the Taleban advance may have made the new council irrelevant. The UN plan makes no provision for the Taleban, and the Taleban appear reluctant to join the council or even be linked to it

A key factor in the Taleban's successes has been the movement's rejection of all

the former resistance groups.

For its part, the Rabbani government has been relieved of its most pressing problem by the Teleban rout last week of Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, one of the most ruth-



PROGRESS IN CHINA — Lee Sands, a U.S. trade representative, leaving a briefing Sunday in Beijing after talks aimed at averting sanctions against China. He said progress was made, but more talks have been scheduled. Page 11.

### Bonn's Free Democrats Score — at Last

FRANKFURT - Germany's Free Democrats returned to the Hesse state assembly in elections oo Sunday after nine successive defeats in regional voting, according to computer projections.

The result was an important reprieve for Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel, who has seen the party lose every state vote since he took over as Free Democrats leader in

"The FDP is back, the trend has been broken," said Guido Westerwelle, who was brought in as general secretary of the national Free Democrats after the party in May when voters go to the polls in

squeaked back into Parliament in the general election.

The incumbent "red-green" state coalition of Social Democrats and environmentalists was re-elected, with the Social Democrats getting about 38 percent and the Greens almost 12 percent, according to the projections for ARD and ZDF television.

ARD estimated Free Democrat support at 7.6 percent while ZDF put it at 6.7 percent, above the 5 percent minimum vote needed to win seats in the state legislature in Wieshaden.

Mr. Kinkel's party faces another hurdle

Germany's largest and smallest states, North Rhine-Westphalia and Bremen.

"It's not a great result, but in view of the setbacks in the past it is impressive," said Ignatz Bubis, a Frankfurt Free Democrat leader who is also head of Germany's Jew-

The Social Democrats, led by Premier Hans Eichel, scored 38.5 percent in the ARD projection, and 39.3 according to

Voter turnout, amid the winds and rain lashing the state all day, was only around See HESSE, Page 8

### Kohl Appeals For Harmony As IG Metall Plans Strike

A Walkout Could Derail Germany's Recovery, Chancellor Cautions

> By Brandon Mitchener International Herald Tribune

FRANKFURT — Warning that low-wage competition was only "a bike ride away" in the Czech Republic, Chancellor Helmut Kohl appealed Sunday to German labor unions and employers to avoid a bitter conflict.

Mr. Kohl's comments came oo the eve of the first strike vote in 10 years by 1G Metall, the powerful German metalworkers' union. He appealed for the two sides to resolve their differences for the sake of German competitiveness and social har-

The chancellor warned that Germans had to work harder than ever to maintain prosperity, especially since wages in neigh-boring countries like the Czech Republic were one-tenth of German levels.

"Psychologically, we have to get up a minute earlier than the others," Mr. Kohl told an audience of bankers in Frankfurt even as IG Metall, the nation's largest labor union, was preparing to strike for higher wages in addition to a shorter working week.

A strike vote was set to begin Monday and Tuesday in the state of Bavaria, which has not experienced a metalworkers strike in 40 years. The last nationwide metalworkers strike, in 1984, lasted several weeks and brought much of West German

manufacturing to a standstill.

Klaus Zwickel, chairman of IG Metall, told the weekly Bild am Sonntag newspaper that the union was prepared to strike "as long as it takes employers to grasp that they have to pay higher wages and leave other contracts untouched." The union has demanded a 6 percent rise in wages for

Employers, government officials and economists, however, warned that a full-scale strike could backfire. "This conflict has the potential to destroy more jobs than all the other labor conflicts before it." Hans-Joachim Gottschol, president of the Gesamtmetall employers federation, told the weekly Welt am Sonntag.

Labor Minister Norbert Blum warned that a strike could stunt Germany's economic recovery. "The tender spring shoots in the economy cannot withstand the hoarfrost of a strike," he told Bild am Sonntag. "It would put us back months."

Some economists said that even if a wage rise were moderate, the Bundesbank, Germany's central bank, could respond with higher interest rates.

"Even without a pay increase in 1995, wage costs would be set to rise by 1.5 percent on the year" as a result of the introduction of a 35-hour workweek beginning in October, economists at the investment firm of Goldman, Sachs wrote in a

"An additional 'reasonable' wage increase of 3.0 percent would leave the employers with an increase in total wage costs See GERMANY, Page 8

### AGENDA

### **Portugal Party Picks New Head**

LISBON (AP) — The governing Social Democratic Party on Sunday elected Defense Minister Fernando Nogueira to succeed Prime Minister Anibal Cavaco Silva as party leader.

Mr. Cavaco Silva is to step down when general elections are held later this year, and the Mr. Nogucira will be his party's candidate for prime minis-

Mr. Nogueira, 42, won the party leadership with a 66-vote advantage over Foreign Minister José Manuel Durão Barroso, with 1,000 delegates voting, the news agency Lusa report-

### Israeli-Arab Exercise

JERUSALEM (Reuters) -- Israel is to join at least eight Arab countries in a Canadian-sponsored naval exercise in the Mediterranean next month, Israeli Defense Ministry officials said on Sunday.

The exercise off the Tunisian coast will be the first of its kind involving Israel and Arab states.

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### Global Alliances Offer Air Travelers One-Stop Ease

By Michael Richardson International Herald Tribune

BANGKOK — Alliances between Asia-Pacifie airlines and their former rivals from Europe and the United States are laying the basis for powerful global travel networks offering passengers greater convenience and forcing greater consolidatioo in air travel.

In the most recent of such accords, three companies - Thai Airways International Ltd., Thailand's national airline; Lufthansa AG, the German flag-carrier, and UAL Corp., parent of United Airlines - are working out details of an agreement that officials said will enable passengers eventually to fly to over 500 destinations awards on the frequent flyer proworldwide as if they were on a single

The Thai Airways president, Thamnoon Wanglee, said the alliance agreement joined "three networks which together cir-

Although That Airways had previously announced separate commercial agreements in general terms with United and Lufthansa, officials of the three airlines recently spelled out specific steps that will be taken by all three.

grams of any of the three partner carriers.

Later in the year, Lufthansa and Thai Airways will start coordinating schedules, sharing lounges and airport facilities, feeding passengers from their long-distance services into each other's domestie and regional flights, and operating aircraft with joint flight designators — a practice

known as code-sharing. Lufthansa and United already have a trans-Atlantie alliance in operation that offers passengers about 100 joint services

States and Europe.
Once the U.S. and Thai governments make final their new hilateral air services agreement, probably later this year, Unit-ed and Thai Airways can begin joint trans-Pacific flights and schedule coordination, officials said. "Customers nowadays are demanding

access to a global system, not single airline networks," said Hendrik B. van Opstal, general manager of United Airlines in Sin-

Similar global alliances, reinforced by See AIRLINES, Page 8

### U.S. Military in Europe: Top Combat Force Hunts New Role

By Rick Atkinson Washington Past Service

SCHWEINFURT, Germany — As the U.S. military in Europe nears the end of its most radical restructuring in a generation, the force that remains to safeguard American interests bears little resemblance to the one that occupied the Continent for oearly a

The sharp reduction of troops, from 336,000 when the Berlin Wall fell in November 1989 to an anticipated 100,000 by this autumn, involves dramatic changes in the way soldiers in Europe live and how they prepare to fight, how they think about war and how they think about peace.

Once prepared to fight World War III, the force now faces missions ranging from major land wars to

is certain of oothing.

Once preoccupied with defense, the force now trains to attack as well as to defend.

peacekeeping and humanitarian assistance. Once certain who its enemy would be, the force now

Commanders watch the evolution of the U.S.-European security relationship with wary interest, and, often, ill-concealed skepticism. Many privately remain impersuaded of the wisdom io a NATO expansion that extends the American nuclear umbrella to. say, Hungary and Slovakia; they wonder what Poland

And they hope that political leaders and the public at home fully grasp the implications of transforming

the world's most proficient combat force into a goanywhere, do-anything expeditionary legion. "If we're going to use the military in ways other

than in an old-fashiooed lining up of two armies to beat the living daylights out of each other, it's very important that the political side of the house describe what they want the military to do," said General David M. Maddox, now retired, in an interview in December, shortly before his departure as commander of the U.S. Army in Europe.

The speed and extent of the drawdown in Europe

Once large and entrenched, the force is now small or the Czech Republic could contribute to American has been breathtaking. It is here, particularly in Gersecurity in exchange for the warrant of American lives. permitted by the end of the Cold War has hit most

> The U.S. Air Force in Europe has been reduced to six major bases, compared to 16 in 1990. From 636 aircraft and almost nine fighter wings, the air force is down to 214 planes and two wings. The number of active-duty air force personnel has dropped from 7t,000 to fewer than 31,000.

For the army, which has long been the dominant service on the Continent in terms of size and geographic sprawl, the contractioo is even more dramatic. While the army as a whole is slimming down from

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### French Trufflers Sniff Out Asian Fraud

By William Drozdiak Washington Post Service

PARIS — Ever since classical times, gourmets have extolled the fragrant virtues of the truffle. Known as the "black diamond" because of its rarity and value, it is especially revered in France, where culture is defined by the taste bud as much as by the eye or the mind. But as truffle fans are discovering, there is nothing sacred in the modern marketplace. While Americans complain of Chi-

na's piracy io the electronics trade, the French are crying foul because an invasion of Chinese truffles that has enabled unscrupulous dealers to perpetrate fraud against one of the greatest national culinary delights. For centuries, French truffle huoters have engaged in a annual ritual from December to March, taking pigs and trained dogs on hikes through the Dordogne and Perigord to unearth the hard, black fungus that proliferates near the roots

of oak trees. Other foragers look for swarms of yellow flies that often can be found danciog in the air over a truffle trove at The Asian intruder bears an almost perfect resemblance to the tuber melanosporum of France. Any superficial disparities can only be detected when the spores of the truffle are

examined under a microscope. But taste is another matter. Unlike the rich pungency of the French version that imparts a lively savor to almost any dish, the Chinese truffle, or tuber himaloyensis, has little appreciable flavor when fresh — and can even turn unpleasant after a few

"If it is oot consumed quickly, it becomes nasty and sulfurous, much like an unwanted guest," said Louis Riousset, a fungologist and renowned truffle connoisseur from Maillane, near St. Rémy-de-Provence.

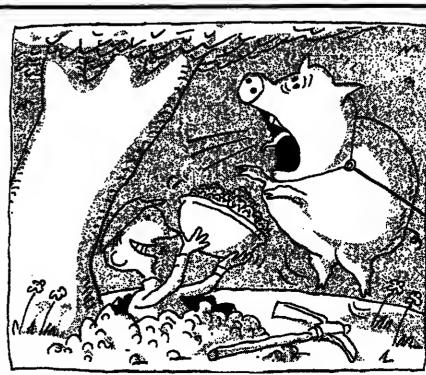
Cheaters, by dousing the Chinese product with trufflecneaters, by dousing the Chinese product with fruitle-scented oil or bunching them in a box that includes a few fragant chunks of the French variety, have been able to get away with huge fraud, especially when the truffles are marked up for re-export to such lucrative markets as the United States. The potential for profit is considerable. While French truffles sell for about \$600 a kilogram (\$270 a pound), the Chinese cousin goes for almost \$1 lo a kilogram.

The vanishing quantities of the Freoch variety have only enhanced the value of the truffle trade. French output has dropped from 800 tons a year at the end of the last century to less than 20 tons today.

"The harvest of the whole country can now be put into one truck," said Pierre-Jean Pebeyre, heir to one of France's greatest truffle dynasties. Meanwhile, the Chinese have rapidly filled the void. The

French federation of truffle producers estimates that since the

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### For the Few Survivors, Horror Outweighs Glory

By Ken Ringle
Washington Post Service

"ASHINGTON — It was, first and foremost, a forbidding, otherworldly place to fight: 8 square miles (20.6 square kilometers) of lava, ash and cinders belched up by the still-roiling volcanic violence of the west Pacific Ocean floor. It exuded, one correspondent wrote, "a sullen sense of evil."

It was honeycombed with caves and tunnels, walled by scarred stone cliffs and slashed by boulder-strewn ravines. The ene-

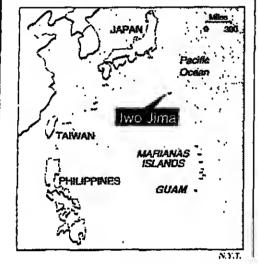
my was usually invisible underground. Wrapped in the rain and log that marked some of the invasion's earliest days, the island steamed eerily in places, and if the nights were chilly above ground, digging in could yield a nightmare oven of a foxhole that stank of sulfur and sweat even without the scent of

Every battleground of the Pacific war was its own particular hell: the rain-washed mountains of New Guinea; the rotting, Stygian jungle of Guadalcanal; the naked corpse-cluttered reef at Tarawa; the malaria-ridden thickets of Bataan.

But Iwo Jima, where U.S. Marines landed 50 years ago Sunday, remains the iconie battleground of World War II, its image burned on the American soul by the famous, flagwaving photograph and the horror in the eyes of the men who fought there.

Victory was never in doubt. Its cost was," Major General Graves B. Erskine said in dedicating the Marine Corps Cemetery on the island in 1945. "What was in doubt, in all our minds, was whether there would be any of us left ... at the end, or whether the last Marine would die knocking out the last Japanese gun

Iwo Jima remains the most costly battle in the history of the U.S. Marine Corps (one-third of all Marines killed in World War II died there), and one of the costliest for Ameri-



can servicemen since Gettyshurg. More troops died assaulting it than died on the beaches of Normandy, and if the 6,821 total dead paled beside such carnage as the 60,000 British killed in a single day on the Somme in stunned by the toll.

Tith the wounded, there were more than 28,000 U.S. casualties, and though all but about 1,000 of the 22,000 Japanese defenders died in the battle, it was the first and last time American casualties exceeded Japanese deaths in the Pacific offensive. Reinforced by even greater casualties in the Army-dominated hattle for Okinawa the following month,

the Iwo Jima toll would figure heavily in the decision to use the atomic bomh on Japan.

"Please, for God's sake," one mourning mother protested to the White House, "stop sending our finest youth to be murdered on places like Iwo Jima,"

On Sunday, President Bill Clinton laid a wreath at the Iwo Jima Monument in Arlington, Virginia, in a ceremony to commemorate those long-ago dead. He was joined by 4,000 people, including about 1,800 veterans from among the 75,000 who landed on the island in

hey have been here all week attending reunions and seminars, memorial services and banquets. There is no getting away from what Iwo Jima

It is not glory, for as they now can and will tell you, in some detail after half a century, there is precious little glory in seeing your best friend decapitated or disemboweied by an artillery shell, or witnessing floating corpses revolving in the propeller of a landing craft, or shivering all night listening to the screaming of a gut-shot 19-year-old taking a

More than 2,600 men went crazy, most of them permanently, experiencing the particular horror of Iwo Jima, and those who survived the battle mentally intact tend to view their lives since with a kind of wonder, and with a profound sense of obligation to those who died there so that they could live.
"If anybody had told me on Iwo that I'd be

sitting here 50 years later talking to you, I'd have marked him down for 'battle fatigue,' " said retired Colonel Fred Caldwell at his home near Mount Vernon, Virginia. As commander of Fox Company of the 26th Marines, "I landed on Iwo Fehruary 19 with 257 men and walked off March 26 with 44, even after getting replacements."

On the long panoramic photograph of his company, taken in California a few months before the battle, he later wrote tiny "KIAs" and "WIAs" in ink on those killed or wounded in action on the island. Only about 30 of the smiling, confident young men in the photo remain unmarked.

The Marines inched their way over the island amid showers of artillery and mortar shells, grenading machine gun nests and dy-



Iwo Jima veterans Joe McEulen and Tony Lava at memorial in Arlington, Virginia.

namiting pillboxes. The Japanese would re-treat underground, then pop up from a tunnel somewhere else, or suddenly reappear behind American lines in a bunker long thought

he Marines shot streams of flaming napalm into their tunnels or huried them alive hy exploding their caves. Or heard them hlow themselves to pieces with grenades for the emperor rather than surrender. Many Marines began thinking of themselves as exterminators of underground vermin, divorcing themselves even further mentally from an enemy whose apparent hunger for death seemed not so much brave as inhuman.

"I remember we had one Japanese officer run out of a cave by himself and charge a flamethrowing tank with his samurai sword,"

Colonel Caldwell said. "All by himself. Against a tank. I don't know what the hell he thought he was doing, but the tank just moved that stream right up his body and burned him

He continued: "Another time we were advancing past this rock pile with a hole in the top, and we dropped a phosphorus grenade in the hole just to be sure. And in a minute the rocks came all apart and out came this Japanese soldier with a hand grenade, smoking

from the phosphorous burns, right at us.
"We all turned and shot him, just another dirty Jap,' you know. Except his helmet came off, and there in the top inside was a picture of him and his family. He had six kids. There he was with his wife and kids, all dressed up, looking proud. Like one of us. I still remember that."

### Russians Call Off Truce in Chechnya

### Moscow Blames Insurgents For Cease-Fire Violations

By Margaret Shapiro Washington Post Service

MOSCOW - A cease-fire between Russian and Chechen forces ended Sunday without any movement toward a lasting peace and with the Russian military commander blaming Chechen attacks for the failure.

General Anatoli Kulikov of the Russian Interior Ministry said in a statement that he would not extend the week-old truce past its expiration of 6 P.M. Sunday because of repeat-ed Chechen attacks over the weekend. That is likely to mean the end of peace talks between the two sides that have been under way the last few days.

Sergei Filatov, chief of staff for President Boris N. Yeltsin, told the Russian news agency Interfax on Sunday that it was premature to engage in political negotiations with the Chechens. We must first find forces

which could be partners in such talks and whom people in Chechnya would trust," Mr. Fi-Mr. Yeltsin and his deputies have refused to have direct ne-

gotiations with the Chechen leader, Dzokhar Dudayev; they have issued a warrant for his arrest instead. A senior military commander has suggested that Mr. Dudayev will be shot on sight if found by Russian troops; his whereabouts are unknown.

The cease-fire began as a truce on the use of heavy weap-ons and has been extended. Although it has not been entirely effective, it did lessen the intensity of fighting in Chechnya, the secessionist region 1,600 kilometers (1,000) miles south of sians and foreign governments Moscow where Russian troops for violations of human rights, have been battling since Dec. but it was defended strongly

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sincerely believed in this chance and did all we could to achieve

The statement said that rebels took advantage of the cease-fire to attack Russian positions in Grozny, the now-destroyed capital of Chechnya that is almost completely in the hands of Russian forces.

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A Russian government statement said that 80 rebels had been killed in the attack and that another group of rebels had shelled Russian positions in a southern suburb of the city. According to Interfax, Russian troops shelled Chechen encampments in the southwest suburbs of Grozny.

Each side accused the other of using the truce to reinforce

Anatoli Shabad, a liberal Russian lawmaker who just returned from Chechnya, said Sunday night on NTV that the cease-fire had been observed, for the most part, allowing the two sides to begin exchanging their dead, and that it should have been extended. Mr. Shabad said Mr. Dudayev told him that he was willing to postpone discussion of Chechnya's politi-

Thousands of people, civilians and soldiers, have been killed since the war began, and many more have been made homeless. The war has devastated the lives and morale of Russian troops, who have been shown to be both inept and indiscriminate. They have turned their fire not only on rebels, but also on their comrades and onblock after block of city apartment buildings.

The military incursion has last week by Mr. Yeltsin in his The united military com- annual state of the nation ad-Kulikov said. "For a week we not be at center stage when Mr. stood on the threshold of peace, Yeltsin spoke.

### For Millions of Africa's Children, It's Either Eat or Learn

By Stephen Buckley

Joshua Musasia, a farmer in western Kenya, paying school-fees for three of his four schoolaged children is tough enough. Paying for the fourth would mean someone could not eat.

Mr. Musasia, 28, said that he earned about \$70 a year, and that school fees for his three girls gobbled up two-thirds of that. So the farmer's fourth daughter, an 8-year-old, must stay at home.

On some days, the girl cannot bear being left behind and sneaks off to school with her three sisters. Invariably, a teacher discovers her and sends her back home.

"Even if she cannot eat. she would like to go to school," Mr. Musasia said. "Even to eat now is very hard."

Millions of Kenyans are faced with the same hard choice as basic education moves further out of reach for the poor, who have long seen schooling as an avenue out of destitute villages.

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economic recessions and to foreign aid donors seeking more fiscal responsibility from gov-

Guinea, Malawi, Tanzania, Zambia and Scnegal slashed education budgets by 12 per-cent to 25 percent in the late 1980s. In 1993, Kenya spent about 17 percent of its budget on education, compared with about 25 percent during the

Critics say those countries opted for politically safe budget cuts, rather than slicing into their militaries or other bureaucracies. "They cut places like education because they knew the people wouldn't howl about that," said G. K. Ikiara, an economics professor at the University of Nairohi.

costs have climbed. The inabil-

Indeed, poor people across

Kenyans have paid school

Africa are finding education an improbable proposition this decade, as countries have trimmed school budgets in response to become poorer, while school budgets in response to become poorer, while school budgets in response to become poorer, while school in a village near Jirtuan \$110. Mr. Amuhaya estimates that less than half his are often favored over girls.

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> Countries across the continent have trimmed school budgets in response to economic recessions.

tion means Kenya's 63 percent unemployment rate among males 15 to 19 will only increase, economists say.

"This is a nation that worships certificates," said Mr. Ikiara, referring to school diplomas. "If you don't have a certificate, you don't have a job. No joh means more crime, more drugs, more poverty. No education means the poor will be poor forever."

grow tea, one of Kenya's leading cash crops, they can gener- often wallops Kenyans, who on education aid to areas that have ate some extra income, but it is average make \$370 annually. In supported him and the Kenyan

usually minuscule. The headmaster. Thomas Amuhaya, said most of his students' parents lived in grassand-clay huts, rearing six to many poor parents could not ers, more facilities," Mr. Ikiara nine children, with at least two bear the costs of secondary said. "There's fairly clear eviat his school. Finding school school, which typically run dence that expenditures often fees is often impossible. Mr. \$200 a year - 10 times the price depend on whether a region Amuhaya said.

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not pay, "we will ask them to find a donor or a sponsor, to bear the costs of uniforms, someone who will pay for "If they can't do that," he

The cost of secondary school

rural Kenya, about half the African National Union, the

of primary school. One result is has been sufficiently loyal to Since 1992, the school has that if parents must choose be- the president and his party.

from 85 percent to 95 percent of its education budget for teachers' salaries, requiring students food, field trips, textbooks and other supplies.

Kenyan school officials are

said, "then they cannot contin- reluctant to criticize the governue. And that is very, very pain- ment publicly. President Daniel arap Moi's administration has been accused of funneling more

population makes less than ruling party.
that.

"Certain areas seem to get
more equipment, more teach-

### TRAVEL UPDATE

### India's Major-City Hotels Booked Up # NEW DELHI (Reuters) - Five months after an outbreak of

plague frightened tourists away, foreign visitors are flooding into major cities in record numbers. But Rabindra Seth, a consultant with India's ITC Hotels, said

that tourists, unlike business travelers, still were not flocking back. ois like Agra were o Hotels in Delhi and Bombay, however, were fully booked, compared with a usual occupancy rate of 85 to 90 percent. And rising numbers of Indian travelers partly offset the drop in foreign

The plague outbreak in September, which killed 57 people, set off a panic that took a heavy toll on tourism. The number of foreign visitors plunged 34 percent in October compared with 1993, and fell 17 percent more in November. But a record number of visitors came in December and in January.

The Caribbean is in danger of an epidemic of dengue fever this spring, two international health organizations warned in Port of Spain, Trinidad. The region saw outbreaks of the mosquito-borne, energy-sapping illness last year, and this year could be worse, according to a statement by the Pan American Health Organization and the Caribbean Epidemiology Center. The reappearance of the Type 3 dengue virus "places the entire region of the Americas, including the Caribbean, at risk," it said.

[AP]

Venezuela's armed forces took over the nation's 20 principal airports Sunday to replace air traffic controllers who are holding protests, the government said. Venezuela's 1,334 air traffic controllers have been delaying flights as part of a three-week protest over salaries and out-of-date equipment. Local media reported long delays for some domestic and international flights. (Reuters)

### After Cost Overruns and Delays, Hapless Denver Airport Is on Track

By B. Drummond Ayres Jr. New York Times Service

DENVER - It has been hailed as a technological marvel and derided as a civic booster's overpriced field of dreams. Whatever it is, the new Denver International Airport is finally set to begin operating Feb. 28 — a year and a half behind schedule and at a cost of \$4.2 billion, about 50 percent more than the original estimate.

The first passenger flight, United 1062,

minal, which juts up from an otherwise empty prairie 23 miles east of Denver.

That departure will also mark the opening of the first major commercial airport in the United States since Dallas-Fort Worth 20

Among those expected to attend an opening ceremony is Transportation Secretary Federico F. Pena, who as mayor of Denver a

will depart for Kansas City at 6 A.M. to inaugurate the architecturally striking terpreside at the ceremony.

Stapleton International Airport, the field that has served Denver since 1929, hut which city officials have declared hopelessly outdated and congested, will cease operation a few hours before Flight 1062 takes

Stapleton's terminal, hangars and runways, only a 10-minute ride from downtown and easily capable of being expanded and decade ago first proposed the new airport. modernized, in the judgment of the new

airport's detractors, will be sold for office works. But just in case, a conventional bagand residential development.

"This time we're really going to open DIA," said Stephanie Foote, chief of staff for Mayor Webb, alluding to four previous opening dates that had to be aborted because of construction problems.

The delays were forced mainly by embarrassing problems with the baggage handling system, designed to be the most advanced in aviation history.

Airport engineers say the system now

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gage system has been installed as a backup, at a cost of \$50 million.

The opening was originally scheduled for the fall of 1993. City officials had predicted that the airport, with five 12,000-foot (3,650-meter) runways and a multipeaked terminal that resembles the snow-capped Rocky Mountains on the western horizon, would not only offer the easiest, safest and most efficient air travel anywhere hut also give Denver an economic lift after years of

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### **Dole Returns to Court New Hampshire Voters**

By Richard L. Berke New York Times Service

KEENE, New Hampshire -The audience that gathered in a library auditorium here for the first town meeting of Senator Bob Dole's presidential bid had barely taken their coats off when they made it obvious that

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Dole had run well in the 1988 Republican primary, and his reception, over all, was warm. Still, the pesky questions came thick and fast, on abortion, legalizing marijuana and school prayer.

The touchiest question came from Norman May, 67, a re-tired school principal: "Are you they would not go easy on him. worried about the age issue? 1
The location had been care-hate to bring it up because 1 fully chosen, one of the few voted for you the last time. That parts of the state where Mr. is going to be a factor and how

are you going to address that?"
The 71-year-old majority leader responded with a quip about a 92-year-old Senate colleague: "I'm not worried about it at all. Some people think f'm too young. I've been willing to put Strom Thurmond on the ucket for balance."

The first U.S. presidential primary, in New Hampshire, is not for a year. But a state party dinner that serves as the primary's opening bell brought nine

presidential aspirants to the state. They included three of Mr. Dole's Senate colleagues, Phil Gramm of Texas, Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania and Richard G. Lugar of Indiana, as well as Lamar Alexander, a former Tennessee governor, and Patrick J. Buchanan, a televi-sion commentator who ran strongly here in 1992.

However far away the actual vote, the senator from Kansas acted as if there were no time to waste. With a smile stuck on his face, he entered the fray with the first full-fledged events of his third attempt for the Repub-

lican presidential nomination.

The meeting here and one later in the day in Lebanon were the first of a dozen public ap-pearances he had scheduled over the weekend.

The voters here never make it easy for politicians. Accustomed to groveling from the candidates trying to win over the first people who vote in a primary, they often see themselves as akin to professional jurors who know best who should get the nomination.

Mr. Dole endured the exer-

cise with good reason. Recent history has shown that Republicans who win in New Hampshire usually wind up with their party's nomination, as Mr. Dole learned from his defeat by George Bush here in 1988.

Mr. Dole is far ahead in the early polls in New Hampshire and nationally. But, as he told voters, he was fooled the last time: "All the polls were good. But then, the people voted."

That is why, he said Satur-day, that he will be back. "I Reuters reported Sunday from Manchester, New Hampshire. know that about town meet-

prostate cancer but feels great. Sunday evening.

I'm home, if I get my wife off it," he said. "If you follow me around for a day, I think you'd find that age is not an issue."

Although there was some grumbling by the audience af-terward, Mr. Dole managed to finesse the abortion question by saying be was against abortion but that the issue should not divide the party.

"Our strength is in jobs, wel-fare reform, cutting back the size of government, less regula-tion for American business," he said. "And that's where we ought to rally."

Mr. Dole did not let his often too-fast-for-his-own-good re-torts get the best of him when a woman told him: "I'm addressing the need to at least legalize the hemp plant, which I under-stand grows quite easily in the state of Kansas.

Rather than let the questioner engage him, Mr. Dole turned his answer into something about the importance of a workable crime bill. He also managed to sidestep questions about his competition with Mr. Gramm, saying, "I'm not sure the people in New Hamsphire want me to get in a fistlight."

■ Dole Leads Poll With 45% A poll of New Hampshire voters put Mr. Dole in the lead among Republicans with 45 percent, Senator Gramm and Mr. Buchanan were tied for second with 10 percent each, Gov-ernor William F, Weld of Massachusetts had 9 percent and Mr. Alexander had 3 percent, Reuters reported Sunday from

Nine Republican presidenings," he said. "You don't talk tial hopefuls were in New too long if you're the candidate Hampshire on Sunday to kick because people want to ask the off the 1996 race for the White House. The nine responded to And Mr. Dole was ready to an invitation from the New be questioned about his age. He Hampshire Republican Party to said be had endured a round of address some 1,400 activists on

### **House Republicans Target**

POLITICAL NOTES

### Subsidies for School Lunch WASHINGTON - House Republicans have

unveiled a bill that would scrap the national school lunch program and a separate federal program that feeds pregnant women and preschool children, in favor of lump-sum grants to the states. But senior Republicans are halking at a plan by Newt Gingrich, the House speaker, to do the same with food stamps.

The bill, drafted by Republican members of the House Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities, would give states vast new discretion to design their own food programs in place of the school lunch program and the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Wom-

en, Infants and Children, known as WIC. Under the bill, to be considered by the committee this week, children from low-income families would no longer be entitled to school meals subsidized by the lederal government, and there would be no uniform national standards for the nutritional content of such meals.

Further, there is no guarantee that the lumpsum payments, or block grants, would increase in hard times, when more people apply for food assistance of all kinds.

The changes, which go far beyond those pro-posed by President Ronald Reagan, are de-scribed in draft legislation obtained from Republican members of Congress.

Republicans said the new proposals would reduce the paperwork for local officials and permit them to feed more people at lower cost. But the plan has set off furious opposition.

Robert Fersh, president of the Food Research and Action Center, said: "A block grant cannot keep up with the real needs of real people. It's almost impossible to devise a formula that responds to changing circumstances like population growth, recession, migration, unemployment and natural disasters."

### 3 Republican Candidates Favor 'Color-Blind' Society

WASHINGTON - Three leading candidates for the Republican presidential nomination said Sunday that ending affirmative action as it now exists is at the top of their list of goals.

But Jack Kemp, who is out of the 1996 race,

said it would be a mistake for the party to abandon programs to help the poor get ahead. Affirmative action already looms as an issue that could dominate the 1996 campaign. Ensuring that it will be on the front burner is a planned

California initiative that would eliminate quotas

for contracts or government benefits. Senator Phil Gramm of Texas, the most conservative of the current contenders, repeated on a CBS television news show that one of his first actions as president would be to "overturn quo-

"I'm for equal and unlimited opportunity in America, but I'm for special privilege for no

one," he said. He denied that the issue is divisive.
"I see this as a uniting principle," he said.
Bob Dole of Kansas, the Senate majority leader, and Lamar Alexander, the former governor of

Tennessee, also said they would change affirmative action as it is now practiced.
"We need a color-blind society." Mr. Dole

said on an ABC television news show. Mr. Alexander, also on ABC, said he supported the California initiative, "and as president, 1 would try to translate equal opportunity into individual rights, not group rights." (AP)

### Hillary Clinton's New Role

WASHINGTON - Hillary Rodham Clinton emerging from months of absence from the limelight, offering a glimpse of a new role. Demonized by critics during the November congressional election, Mrs. Clinton has been

uncharacteristically subdued since the Republicans captured Congress.

Aides to Mrs. Clinton have been fending off questions about her future role — unwilling to say just how she will proceed now that she no

longer serves as the administration's chief advocate on health care reform issues. Mrs. Clinton brushes aside thoughts that any-

thing is different, saying: "The stories come and go and I just remain the same."

"I'll do whatever I can to help the president fulfill his visions for the country, work hard for what he believes will belp America," she said.

Insiders say she still has the first word when it comes to the president - and that when she talks, he listens. Her public role, however, is evolving. She is beginning to venture onto the public stage again, making it clear in interviews that she intends to continue to be involved in bealth care matters, but not shaping policy.

There's a full plate of activities that I care about," she said.

### Quote/ Unquote

Senator John H. Chafee, Republican of Rhode Island, on the quadrennial outbreak of presidential ambition in the Senate: "They see the president, and as in most things, they say to themselves, 'Hey, I can do that job, and do it better.' ft's only crossed the minds of maybe 98 sena-





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control and choice.

### **Away From Politics**



Myrlie Evers-Williams meeting the press before her election as head of the NAACP.

 The widow of the civil rights leader Medgar Evers has won an upset one-vote victory to become chairman of the scandal-plagued NAACP, the oldest and largest advocate for America's blacks. "We have much to do. We have to clean house. Where is my broom? Myrlie Evers-Williams, 61, told cheering supporters in Manhattan after defeating William Gibson for the leadership of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored (Reuters)

 After spending months insisting that he was same and staging a series of bizarre courtroom spectacles, Colin Ferguson has turned to the lawyers he once dismissed to appeal his murder conviction in Mincola, New York, on the grounds that he was never mentally fit to stand trial, one of the lawyers said. His de-fense of himself included his claim that there were 93 charges against him because the killings occurred in 1993.

· Three months after taking an unexpected leave of absence that raised speculation about his health and about the rigors of his job, Neil

L. Rudenstine, 60, the president of Harvard University, has pronounced himself "ex-tremely refreshed, well, vigorous, ready to go," and said that he would return to work on Thursday.

 The U.S. murder rate, already described by some as an epidemic, will increase sharply and lead to a "blood bath" within the next decade as the number of teen-agers grows, a researcher says. Murders by children aged 14 to 17 have increased by 165 percent since 1985, said James Alan Fox, dean of the College of Criminal Justice at Northeastern University. That will surge even more as some 40 million children reach their teens, he said.

 An overwhelming majority of U.S. lawyers, 70 percent, believe O. J. Simpson will not be convicted in his double murder trial, according to an opinion poll for The National Law Journal. Thirty-nine percent of the 301 attorneys surveyed in the United States predict a hung jury, while 31 percent think he will be acquitted, for a total of 70 percent. (Reuters)

### Uruguay May Lose Good Life New President's Plan Would Cut Social Benefits

By Calvin Sims New York Times Service

MONTEVIDEO — Uruguay has long enjoyed one of the highest standards of living in Latin America, buttressed by a social security system that allows people to retire earlier than in many

But if the president-elect, Julio Maria Sanguinetti, has his way, those days will soon be

Mr. Sanguinetti, who takes office on March 1, said in an interview that his first priority would be reforming the social security system, which has become a drain on the budget. "Our demographics are changing, people are living longer, and we simply cannot afford to maintain the social benefits program as it now

exists," he said. Mr. Sanguinetti, who was president from 1985 to 1990, was returned to office in a close election in November. "I fully expect there to be opposition to our reforms, but sometimes the medicine seems

worse than the illness, but in the long term it heals the patient," Mr. Sanguinetti said. The basic problem is the high ratio of people who depend on or work for the state. About 1.1 million of Uruguay's 3.1 million people are regis-tered workers, while 700,000 people no longer in

the work force receive pensions. That means that Uruguay has more than one retired person for every two workers, and about 37 percent of the state budget goes to the social security system.

Economists and rival political parties agree that reform of the system, which is financed by payroll deductions, cannot be delayed. A study by the Inter-American Development

Bank said thet even if Uruguay's gross domestic product grows at a projected 1.7 percent and inflation at 10 percent for the rest of the decade, failure to reform the social security system would mean the deficit will reach 5 percent.

But reaching an agreement on how to reform the system may be Mr. Sanguinetti's greatest challenge, especially since the legislature is divided almost evenly among three parties.

Mr. Sanguinetti said that while he would "not take away any benefits that people currently enjoy, the system will be reformed for future pensioners." He plans to propose a mixed system of minimal coverage by the state and private voluntary individual savings that would reduce the burden on the government.

Uruguayans have grown accustomed to the benefits system, which allows men to retire at age 60 and women at 55. The government provides disabled workers 70 percent of their salaries and free medical care.

Some Uruguayans are collecting pensions today under laws overturned in the late 1970s, which, for example, allowed a woman with a child to retire after 10 years of work, regardless of age, or a single woman whose father died to receive a pension for life without working, even if

Highly organized retirement associations have vowed to use referendums to block changes to the social security program.

Complicating matters is the factionalized po-litical system, which was further entangled by the split of votes among Uruguay's three major political parties in the last election. The vote ended more than a century of two-party rule.

Since no party has a majority in the legislature,
Mr. Sanguinetti of the centrist Colorado Party
must negotiate alliances with the unseated right-

ist National Party and the leftist newcomer, the Broad Front coalition, President Luis Alberto Lacalle failed to pass

welfare and other economic reforms, political analysts say, because he lacked the political skills to negotiate and needlessly alienated Congress.

Mr. Sanguinetti was one of the Mr. Lacalle's stannchest opponents in Congress, and supporters of the departing leader say he may seek revenge by blocking the new president's reforms.

While bitter infighting and party rivalry are a

way of life, rival party leaders have hinted that they are willing to work with Mr. Sanguinetti, particularly on social security.

### Bank Strike in Martinique Drags On

Agence France-Presse

FORT-DE-FRANCE, Martinique - A strike for higher wages that has paralyzed much of this island's banking sector and dampened business activity has entered its second month with no clear end in sight.

But the prefect of this French overseas department, Jean-François Cordet, said new talks

were imminent after his latest senting bank employees.

Mr. Cordet said that he had contacts with the French Bank "taken the necessary steps to Association and unions repre- avoid any kind of disturbance and warned that "people should not force me to intervene be-Local officials joined Mr. cause we have better things to Cordet on Friday in appealing

for an end to the strike, while Strikers marehed Friday businessmen demonstrated to protest what they described as the total paralysis" of the island since the strike began Jan. along the highway between Le Lamentin and Fort-de-France tion in negotiations.



World Business Class\*

Talks Shift Focus From Trade

By Daniel Williams

WASHINGTON - The Clinton administration has emharked nn a quiet, intense, year-long round of talks with Japan to rejuvenate U.S. military links with Tnkyo, in part to repair hard feelings over President Bill Clinton's heavy focus nn trade during the first balf of his term. As the administration ham-

mered Japan to open its markets to U.S. goods, intelligence and defense officials became alarmed that the military relationship had been left to languish and that Japan would drift nn its own.

That process, if allowed to continue, would raise fears in Asia of Japanese remilitarization, and in Washington of a loss of key U.S. military bases on the Japanese islands.

There was a real sense of angst on the Japanese side, a fear that the overarching American focus had become the a senior White House official said. "Our goal, really, is to reassure them we value the alliance."

The concern reached a peak late fast fall, when Joseph S. Nye, the new assistant secretary of defense for internacional security, visited Japan.

Mr. Nye reported nn signs that Japan was drifting from elose cooperation with Washington and was shifting its economie and security focus toward East Asia, administration officials said.

On his return, Mr. Nye proposed a series of systematic enntacts, which began last month with a visit to Tokyo by U.S. deputy assistant secretaries of state and defense.

The talks are focusing nn cooperation on a wide range of security issues, including possible threats from northeast Asia. particularly North Knrea.

The talks, dubbed the "Nye initiadve," are designed to ad-dress the same kind of post-Cold War identity crisis faced by the North Atlantic Treaty Organization: Why maintain tight defense links if there is m enemy to worry about?

Indications of a change in Japan's view of the U.S. relationship also emerged in a report commissioned by Japan's government in 1994 to outline the country's future security role.

The study affirmed the importance of the U.S. alliance, but also emphasized the need to build autonomous might and engage in multilateral pursuits, such as peacekeeping, as a hedge against a possible reduc-don in U.S. interest in Japan.

The "hedging" strategy "is a reflection of uncertainty about U.S. intentions and Japanese domestie political developments," warned a report from the National Defense University, written by Michael J. Green and Patrick M. Cronin.

The end to nne-party dominance of Japanese politics appeared to open the way for a new debate over Japan's relations with the United States.

The rise of Prime Minister Tomiichi Murayama to power, from a Socialist party that tradidonally opposes strong U.S. links, created anxiety in Washington, although the Social Democratic Party recently dropped its and-military, anti-

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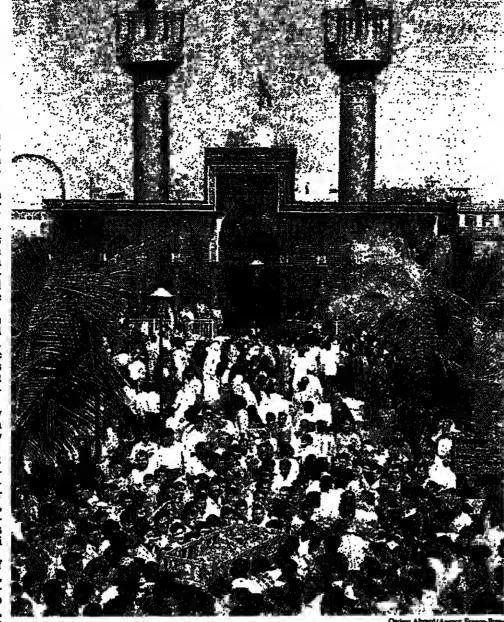
North Korea over its nuclear arms program "galvanized" Pentagon worries, a defense official said: If the Americans used bases and ports in Japan to stage a war nn the Korean peninsula, how would the Japa-nese public react? What would be Japan's role, other than be host to U.S. troops?

Mr. Nye proposed talks on bilateral, regional and glnbal cooperation to clear up doubts. lo interagency meetings, none nbjected, "The economic boys had become fatigued and didn't put up a fight," a State Depart-ment official said.

Mr. Nye is scheduled to lay out the basis for the contacts in a speech at Harvard University

U.S. officials are shy about discussing details of the initiative. The administration worries that the talks could further inflame the debate in Japan, particularly in the 50th anniversary year of the atomic attacks on Hiroshima and Nagasaki and the end of the Pacific war.

Unlike commemorations of the vietnry over Germany, where Mr. Clinton thinks nothing nf stopping at battlefields to bathe in past American glories, the Pacific war against Japan is treated gingerly.



Mourners carrying coffins on Sunday of recent victims of Karachi's sectarian violence.

### Q & A: East Timor's Peace Proposals

Indonesia's rule in East Timor, a farmer Portuguese colony annexed by Jakarta after Indonesian forces invaded 20 years ago, continues ta face challenges. José Ramos Horta, the special representative of a council that links East Timorese groups opposed to Indonesian control, discussed the situation with Michael Richardson of the International Herald Tribune.

Q: The United Nations Commissioo on Human Rights is due to resume its annual debate in Geneva on Wednesday oo buman rights violations in East Timor and other places. Can such debate influence lodonesia's East Timnr policy? A: It does because Indonesia aspires to

regional and world leadership. It is a member of the commission and one of the conpermanent members of the UN Security Council. It chairs the Nooaligned Movement. So it has enormous credibility at stake. It cannot defy international opinion in the same way as the military regime in Burma or the Khmer Rouge in Cambodia.

The UN has oever recognized Indoocsia's armed takeover of East Timor in 1975 and its formal annexacon of the territory in 1976. Instead, the UN, through various resolutions, has demanded that Indonesia withdraw from East Timor so that an act of self-determinadoo under UN supervision can take

Q: In recent days, there have been

attacks by booded so-called Ninja gangs against people in the East Timorese capi-tal, Dili. The Indonesian military has alleged that the gangs are controlled by pro-independence groups. Who do you think is behind the gangs and why?

A: The attacks were instigated by the

Indonesian military to create a climate of violence between Timorese so that the blame would not be placed on Indonesia. The fact is that those gangs of Timorese and Indonesian thugs are trained and paid by the security forces.

O: What should Indonesia do to solve the East Timor problem?

A: We have offered Jakarta an honorable way out through a three-phase

peace plan.

In the first phase, lasting for about two years, Indonesia must withdraw all its troops from East Timor, release all prisoners and allow the UN to establish a human-rights monitoring presence.

In the second phase, East Timor would get full autonomy with a local assembly chosen in elections organized by the UN. This phase would last for five years and could be extended for another five years. It would give Indonesia ample time to prove to the people of East Timor that its behavior had changed.

The status of the territory would only be decided at the end of the autonomy period. That would provide Indonesia and ourselves sufficient time to find a

Vietnam's Sapphire Fever Sets Off Cycle of Violence

modus vivendi in which Indonesian interests would be protected, However, the end result of the whole process would have to be a self-determi-natioo referendum under UN supervi-

Q: What is Indonesia's response to

this proposal?

A: So far, outright rejection. But 1 know that there is growing sympathy within Indonesia for this kind of approach. There is also increasing support in the UN and from the U.S. and European Union.

Q: If Indonesia continues to reject the peace plan you have put forward, what strategy will your group pursue to get Jakarta to become more flexible?

A: We will cootinue to extend an olive branch to Indonesia. At the same time, we will pursue aggressively our interna-tional campaign to increase the costs to Indonesia. In East Timor itself, our people are determined to escalate their actions to make Indonesia's occupation of

the territory more costly. Q: Wouldn't that amount to terror-

A: No, we are talking about civil dis-obedience and street demonstrations. However, armed resistance by our guerrillas will cootinue against the Indonesian military occupation. But Indonesian civilians and their property will not be targeted.

### One Dead In Attack On Mosque

KARACHI, Pakistan -- Violence continued in Karachi, commercial capital of Pakistan. as gunmen attacked a mosque shortly after dawn prayers on Sunday, killing one and injur-ing four, officials said.

The attack was apparently in

In Karachi

retaliation for the slaying of four brothers in their home nu Saturday by sectarian acovists. All four brothers, one of whom was a police officer, were bound hand and foot, tortured and then shot to death.

The militant Shiite Muslim group, Tehrik-e-Jafria Pakistan, described the four broth-

ers as sympathizers.

The family of the victims accused eight members of the ri-val Sunni Muslim Sipah-e-Sa-haba Pakistan of the murder. The death toll since Saturday morning rose to 11 as two peo-

ple injured earlier in the week died in the hospital. The police also discovered two bodies on the outskirts of the city late Saturday. Both un-

identified victims had been tied up, tortured and shot.

A doctor was shot to death at his clinic in the city's troubled central district on Saturday. All the other victims were killed in

isolated incidents, at least one of whom was identified as a Sunni Muslim activist. More than 95 people have died in political and sectarian violence this month. Observers

bloodiest month in Karachi's recent history.

Mnre than 700 people were killed in political and sectarian violence last year, 168 of whom

say February could be the

died in December. On Saturday, Pakistani po-lice seized caches of weapons and ammunition as well as 5,000 rounds of ammunition in a sweep through the central dis-

trict, officials said. Several Kalashnikov rifles and handguns were impounded by a joint police and paramili-tary task force in a five-hour bouse-to-house search. Nineteen people were de-tained for questioning.

Philippine Leader

### Warns 'Intruders' In Spratly Islands The Associated Press

MANILA - In a clear refer-

ence to Chinese expansion in the disputed Spratly Islands, President Fidel V. Ramos promised Sunday to defend the sovereignty of the Philippines and urged foreign "intruders" to leave the country in peace. "As your commander-in-

chief, I will not allow any slack-

ening in our defense capabilities and responsibilities," Mr. Ramos told alumni of the Philippine Military Academy.
"If there be any intruders into our territory or exclusive

economie zone, we shall ask them to depart and leave us in Mr. Ramos ordered addicon-

al military forces to the Spratlys last week

Philippine officials assert that the Chinese have built a platform on the previously unoccupied Panganiban atoll and that Chinese forces detained Filipino fishermen briefly last

### BRIEFLY ASIA

### Taiwan Sets First Presidential Vote

TAIPEI (Reuters) - Taiwan's cabinet has decided in principle to hold its first direct presidential election, io March 1996, capping a process of democrade reform started in 1987. Vning for the National Assembly, which currently chooses Taiwan's presidents, would be held simultaneously with the presidential election, the CNA news agency said.

President Lee Teng-bui of the Nationalist Party has not said if he will run Lin Vang-kang a senior advisor to the

said if he will run. Lin Yang-kang, a senior adviser to the president and also a Naconalist Party member, has announced his own candidacy. Taiwan's leading opposition party, the Democratic Progressive Party, has not decided on his presidential condidate. its presidential candidate.

### 4 Killed in India Election Violence

IMPHAL, India (Reuters) - Four people were killed and at least 17 were wounded Sunday in election violence in Manipur State in northeast India, officials said. The police hlamed the People's Liberation Army, a separatist militia dominated by ethnic Metei, which had threatened to disrupt

The election was contested mainly between the Congress (I)
Party of Prime Minister P.V. Narasimha Rao and the regional
Manipur People's Party. Official results are expected Thurs-

### Attorney Fears for Pakistani Boy

ISLAMABAD, Pakistan (AP) — A 14-year-old Christian boy sentenced to hang for insulting Islam could face threats to

boy sentenced to hang for insulting Islam could face threats to his life in jail, his lawyer said Sunday.

"I am very, very apprehensive," the attorney, Hina Jilani, said. "That's why we want to get this trial over as soon as possible. His safety is a real source of tension."

Mr. Jilani said that an inmate accused of blasphemy was killed a year ago in the same cell block where the youth has been jailed since he was convicted Feb. 9., along with his uncle, for writing anti-Islamic graffiti on a mosque wall in 1993.

### China Condemns 4 in Tax Swindle

BELIING (Reuters) - A court in Shenzen in southern China has sentenced four people to death for peddling thou-sands of lake tax receipts for use by tax evaders, news reports

The faking of tax invoices and other receipts has become one of China's most serious forms of corruption.



SACKS OF WAGES — Cambodian women in Siem Reap Province with bags of rice that they and other villagers received for working on community projects under a program run by the UN and the Red Cross.

### **VOICES** From Asia

Clementino dos Reis Amaral, a member of Indonesia's human rights commission, which has urged the government to improve the handling of information out of the former Portuguese colony of East Timor to counter criticism about rights abuses: "While many reports on human rights violations in the youngest Indonesian province have been received, it is not yet time for the commission to open an office there." (Reuters)

Megat Junid Megat Ayob, deputy home minister of Malaysia, on a warning that three local papers may be banned unless they stop printing stories that affect racial harmony or relations with neighboring nations: "I advised them to be careful since national peace and harmony depends on racial and religious unity and ties with our neighbors."

Tofayel Ahmed, a leader of the main Bangladeshi opposition party, the Awami League, on the government's latest offer for a dialogue to end a controversy over future elections: There cannot be any dialogue until Parliament is dissolved. the prime minister resigns and the government agrees to hold fresh elections."

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HANOI -- Nearly 10,000

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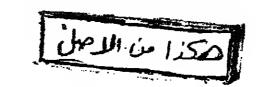
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By Youssef M. Ibrahim

PARIS - Foreign Minister Amr Moussa of Egypt said Sun-day that the relative screnity that characterized Egyptian-Israeli relations over the past 15 years has been disturbed by "serious difficulties" over Israel's nuclear weapons program and the "fragile and vulnerable" state of Middle East peace

talks. In an interview in Paris, Mr. Moussa argued that Egypt and other Arab countries will insist Israel accept restraints on its nuclear arms program because of Arab concerns that Israeli "extremists" could gain power io the government and be tempted to use such weapons

against enemies in the region. (Israeli officials said Sunday that they had offered to allow Egypt to inspect a ouclear research facility and were considering another gesture to assuage Egyptian concerns, The Associated Press reported. The officials said the nature of the gesture had not been decided but that it might include a proposal

Cairo Demands Restraints on Nuclear Arms

Egypt's Warning to Israelis

ientists.]
Mr. Moussa was in Paris for a meeting Saturday with Foreign Cerns.
Minister Shimoo Peres of Israel "W

Mr. Moussa's remarks came at the end of a tense week during which he was accused by Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin of Israel of leading a hostile campaign to embarrass Israel over its refusal to join a global ouclear conproliferation treaty.

Israel has also charged President Hosni Mubarak of Egypt with slowing its cormalization of ties with other Arab nations and lining them up behind Egypt's position on the arms treaty.

The United States, which supports the Israeli stand that its acquisition of nuclear weaptreaty, has hinted it may penal-ize Egypt by reducing \$2 billion in annual aid in loans and

Mr. Moussa, however, said

Egyptian and Israeli nuclear Cairo from insisting that Israel that it will address Arab con-

"We are called upon to vote and Yasser Arafat, chairman of the Palestine Liberation Orga-nization. Their talks failed to said. "We are told, however, move the stalled peace process. that universality does not apply to Israel. How can a country in its right mind accept an eternal commitment of this sort with its neighbor being allowed to retain and develop ouclear arms."

"Israel seems to bave an attitude of calling anyone who disagrees with ber policies an ene-my," he said. "This is a relic of the past that must yield to listening to legitimate Arab concerns. We hope they come to see our interest in regional security, and the advancement of Palestinian-Israeli talks, to be just as important as their concern for ecocomic cooperation and greater normalization."

perts in Middle East affairs consider to be the lowest point in relations between the two countries since they signed a peace treaty in 1979.



Yasser Arafat, left, Prime Minister Edouard Balladur of France, center, and Shimon Peres following a conference on Middle East peace held to Paris.

ons is an issue separate from the signing of the nonproliferation ments last week by the Israelis they supported Cairo's views. Iraq and Libya, who are said to be at various stages of developtive to U.S. hopes that a maing such technology. jority of countries renew their commitments to the nooprolifcration treaty.

Israel is believed by various its view that Israel must re-Western intelligence services to spond to our security concern."

pute over ouclear weapons has taken center stage in the past acknowledged that officially, it has argued that it faces potennumber of Arab countries said tial ouclear threats from Iran. tial ouclear threats from Iran, Iraq and Libya, who are said to

> Mr. Moussa insisted that Cairo "will not compromise on

But the Egyptian-Israeli dis- have some 200 ouclear war- He said that if Israel did not and arms of mass destruction in join the ouclear nooproliferation program, "the region is certain to slip into an arms race which, to our way of thinking,

> Asked what steps he had in mind for Israel to take, Mr. Moussa said: "Israel must become engaged in a serious process of disarmament that would the hard-pressed Egyptian deal with the nuclear problem

would be a catastrophic devel-

the Mideast region."

The adaman Egyptian stand has puzzled Mideast experts because the issue of Israel's nuclear weapons had oot been raised in recent years and because the consequences of American anger over its positioo could result in heavy economic penalties for

But several Egyptian policymakers have said privately they felt that Egypt needed to reas-sert its influence in the Arab world, which they charge has been deliberately eroded by Is-

rael and the United States. They also coted a growing conviction in Egypt that U.S. aid was going to be reduced aoyway, since Washington seemed intent upoo downgrad-

### Israel Opens Border To 900 Palestinians, First Since Bombing

GAZA - Israel on Sunday let in 900 Palestinian workers, the first since it shut off movement from the West Bank and Gaza Strip following an Arab suicide attack in Israel last

that nearly 900 Palestinian workers had entered Israel via Gaza's main Erez checkpoint.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin announced last week that Israel would begin lifting the ban this week, and he urged Yasser Arafat, the Palestine Liberation Organization leader. to do more to crack down on Islamic militants who attack Is-

Mr. Rabin said he would let in 10,000 Palestinians from the Gaza Strip and 5,000 from the West Bank, But officials on both sides said it would take time for all of the required permits to be issued.

Israel said all 15,000 of those to be allowed entry had to be istry plan initially approved in both married and over 30, a January that four ministers group that Israel believes poses from the liberal Meretz party a lower security risk.

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The 15,000 represent only a quarter of the 60,000 Palestinians barred from their jobs involved a total of 1,800 hous-since two Islamic suicide bombing units in three West Bank ers from Gaza killed 21 Israelis settlements.

at a bus stop in central Israel on

On Sunday, Israeli soldiers shot and killed a Palestinian teenager in Gaza.

Military soorces said the youth was a motorist who had ignored an army order to stop in an Israeli-held zone. But Palestinians said he was shot while searching on foot for scrap metal and wood.

Israelis have killed 207 Palestinians, and Palestinians have killed 113 Israelis since the signing of an Israeli-PLO peace accord in Washington in September 1993.

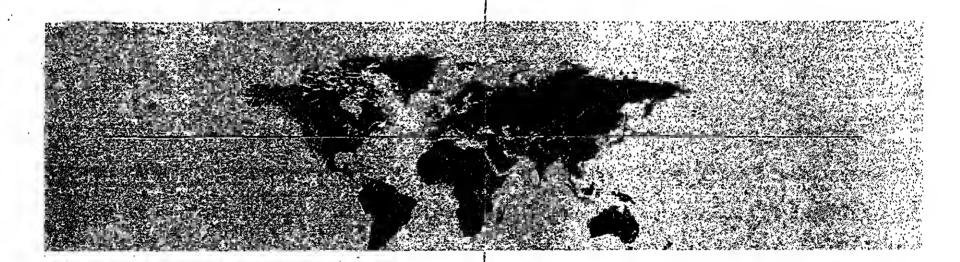
In another development, Israel's cabinet approved the expansion of three settlements around Jerusalem. A spokesman for PLO head-

quarters in East Jerusalem said the construction violated the Palestinian autonomy accord. "They are putting the whole peace process in jeopardy," said the spokesman, Hatem Abdul

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TORONTO - Reacting to United States. Registration of increasing urban violence, the Caoadian government has been required since 1934. moved to strengthen gun laws by proposing mandatory regis-tration of all firearms and a ban since 1978 and semiantomatic on small, easily concealed weapons capable of being fired handguns known as Saturday night specials.

Under the legislation, introduced in Parliament last week banned 19 types of semiautoby the governing Liberal Party, possession of an unregistered A rise in urban violence, weapon could mean a prison largely drug-related, has insentence of up to five years.
The bill has met with unusu-

is likely to become law because could prompt Canadians to of the Liberals' majority in the lower house of Parliament. Gun control laws are far Americans.

tougher in Canada than in the handguns, for example, has

Canada has banned fully on automatic since 1991. Last fall, after a fierce congre battle, the United States

creased a sense of personal insecurity for many Canadians, a ally fierce opposition from gun key element in the govern-owners, and the issue has pitted ment's decision to get tougher ment's decision to get tougher

rural lawmakers against urban on gun control.
The Firearms Act, however, that the increase in violence take up arms in self-defense, following the example of many

### **Ex-Leader of Labor Party** Had KGB Ties, Paper Says

LONDON - A British newspaper reported Sunday that Michael Foot, the leader of the opposition Labor Party in the early 1980s, met with Soviet agents during the 1960s and

accepted cash payments for a leftist newspaper he ran.

The paper. The Sunday Times, said the Soviet intelligence service considered Mr. Foot, who is now 81 and retired from active politics, to be one its "agents of influence" in Britain at

The paper said its information came from former KGB officers, including Oleg Gordievsky, a colonel in the Soviet intelligence agency who defected to Britain in 1985. The report said the contacts took place between 1960 and

1968 and were believed to have been broken off by Mr. Foot following the Soviet invasion of Czechoslovakia. Mr. Foot was a member of Parliament at the time. The Sunday Times said British security forces emphasized

that Mr. Foot had done nothing illegal.

Mr. Font said he was not a KGB agent. He did not deny meeting with Sovict officials during the early 1960s, but said any such meetings were part of his regular contacts with officials from all over the world and did not involve passing sensitive information.

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### Toward Peace in the Jungle

Peru and Ecuador have signed a peace accord, apparently ending their three-week war over a 75-kilometer stretch of border. The squahhle cost at least 49 lives and gained little or oothing for either side, but some good may result if the two countries finally resolve the dispute that bas caused teosioo and occa-

sional battles for more than 50 years. In 1942, following a war in which Peru grabbed a substantial chunk of Ecuador's territory, the two countries signed a treaty that delineated their border. But the agreement was oot precise about those 75 kilometers, which parallel a mountain range called the Cordillera del Condor. Ecuador rejected the treaty io 1960. The two countries have clashed over the disputed stretch ever since, ineluding a two-day military battle in 1981.

Recently, Ecuador had been taking advantage of the treaty's ambiguity by building permanent structures on territory claimed hy Peru. President Alberto Fujimori of Peru, facing an electioo this spring and eager to ingratiate himself with the military, was oo doubt happy in

have a pretext to flex some muscle The agreement calls for both sides to withdraw from the conflict zooe and allows for international military observers to monitor the peace. But already some politicians in Ecuador are criticizing the pact. To avoid further conflicts, the two countries oeed to agree to submit their dispute to binding international mediation. Each side already has paid too high a price for a remote patch of jungle and a scrap of national pride. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### How to Brew a Policy Mess

"That's another fine mess you've gotten me mto, Stanley." Those thoughts of Oli-ver Hardy could well express President Bill Clinton's sentiments toward his foreign policy team as he contemplates what promises in be an enormously difficult fight with the chairman of the Senate foreign relations committee, Jesse Helms. The North Carolina senator has produced a plan to merge the government's major foreign policy agencies. At first glance, the coming merger fight would appear to be another turf war between a president and Congress of opposing parties. There is, however, more on the table than that.

Despite its billing, the Helms reorganization proposal, which has strong backing among the Republican leadership, is not aimed toward delivering more effective overseas assistance. It is a weapon to be used in the Republican assault on major elements of Mr. Clinton's foreign policy.
Already facing a full fight card on Capitol Hill, the president has been pushed by his foreign policy team for a high-stakes battle with Mr. Helms and the Republicans over control and future levels of a hroad category of foreign assistance programs. It is a fight the administration's foreign policy team, absorbed in its own intramural turf

wars, seems unprepared to wage.

Mr. Helms suggests that his plan is a State Department progeny that oever made it past the White House. True, to a point. The Helms proposal follows the contours of a merger proposal that originated with the State Department. But his plan does more than consolidate overseas agencies under the State Department: It strikes at the heart of development assistance programs by eliminating the Agency for International Development.

Mr. Helms also is correct that the State Department's proposal oever made it to the Hill. That is because the other foreign affairs agencies, apoplectic at the thought of being merged into the State Department, won the support of Vice President Al Gore, who shot down the plan.

But Mr. Helms is off-base if he believes that his declaration of support for the State Department's power grah is a victory for Foggy Bottom. What the State Department might gain in turf, the world's neediest would lose big-time. The shame is that while Clinton foreign affairs officials were distracted by their own skirmishing, a serious threat to the president's foreign policy was materializ-ing in the Republican Congress — and they were preparing oeither themselves nor Mr. Clinton for what is coming.

Along with Mr. Helm's plan, a Senate hudget committee draft report has emerged that proposes to eviscerate a range of programs that have kept America constructively engaged with the rest of the world. Io additioo to killing the separate Agency for International Develop-ment and Arms Control and Disarmament Agency, it would terminate support for multilateral development banks. The Voice of America would be effectively stilled. Aid to emerging democracies would be phased out. The Republicancootrolled Congress would have America turn its hack on the developing world. There is a fine mess brewing on Capitol Hill. In relation to Mr. Clintoo's foreign policy, it is a lot more than interoffice politics and no laughing matter.

-THE WASHINGTON POST.

### Chipping Away at Justice

President Bill Clinton bas promised to use his first veto if the Senate, like the House, passes a crime bill that dismantles last year's law to help put 100,000 police officers on the streets. But other crime bills that the Republicans approved last week are at least as dangerous to justice.

form Act" would constitute a congressional assault on the Fourth Amendment's safeguard against unlawful searches and seizures. Like the rest of the crime legislation flowing from the "Contract With America," the measure was dispatched to the floor without adequate committee hearings, lest anything slow the 100-day Republican legislative express.

Since 1914, when the Supreme Court said the constitution required it, federal courts have suppressed illegally obtained evidence. Sometimes this lets a guilty defendant go free, but law officers have refined their searches - and the high court has carved out major exceptions to the suppression rule. In 1984 the Supreme Court recognized a "good faith" exception that allowed the admissioo of evidence seized under a defective warrant that the police had reason to believe was valid. The House now extends that exception to warrantless scarches.

Republican leaders said that the police oceded this exception, but when pressed could cite no case where the bill would have made a difference to law enforcement. It only succeeds in putting the House in conflict with the Bill of Rights.

The "Violent Criminal Incarceratioo prisoners who file, ignorantly or inartfuly, court complaints about prison cooditions. Sponsors contend that the bill is aimed at frivolous lawsuits. Bot such suits are routinely dismissed by experienced judges, and the bill would require dismissal of many valid claims.

Another unjust bill all but abolishes habeas corpus petitions, long authorized by Congress to let inmates challenge the legality of their detentioo in the federal courts. An inmate could prevail only if his sentence had been based oo an utterly "arbitrary and unreasonable" state court interpretation of clear Supreme Court precedent. That is a radical departure from the proper standards of federalism, by which state courts are bound to recognize the rights prisocers have under the constitution and federal law. Like the rest of these destructive bills, it deserves repudiation by the Senate.

-THE NEW YORK TIMES.

### Other Comment

### Put Latin American Unity First

In an era of global capital markets and regional trade blocs, Latin America's leaders need more urgently than ever to set aside their neighborly squahhles and act with unity if the region is to punch its weight in the world. That means dealing swiftly with the most inflammatory of the quarrels that still periodically divide them: half a dozen disputed borders, ranging from Belize to Bolivia. Like Ecuador's claim to the Condor mountains, many of these disputes date from lost wars of the past. However unjust they may seem to the losers, they are oot worth fighting about. In an ideal world, Ecuador and Peru

might agree to cede the area oo both sides of the Coodor cordillera as a demilitarized reserve for the juogle Indians who are its main inhabitants. But short of that, Ecuador would do well to agree that the Coodor border should finally be fixed, under international supervision. And at their next get-together. Latin America's leaders would be wise to commit themselves in accepting as permanent their couotries' existing borders. That way they would devote more effort to plowing the common furrows of regional trade and infrastructure development that offer a better return for their people.

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End Sanctions on Serbia? Desperate Diplomacy at Work WASHINGTON — Is there no boop through which the Clinton administration will oot jump, oo line it will oot ahandoo, to keep the war io Bosnia from spreading? That is the

question raised by the latest turn io America's desperation diplomacy in the Balkans. The U.S. diplomatic approach toward Serhia oow seems to boil down to a single question: "How high, Slobodan?" The answer

from Serbia's Slobodan Milosevic is constant: "Higher." The United States and four European partners in the Contact Group on Bosnia unveiled a oew negotiating plan last week that offers to suspend all economic sanctions against Serbia in return for another round of doubtful prom-

ises by the Serbs to stop its wars of

gression in Bosnia and Croatia. This approach is painted by its advocates as a occessary, expedient adjustment in policy to avoid even greater bloodshed. But such diplomacy is bad leadership and questionable morality. The longterm costs to America's position in world affairs and to its self-image must now be weighed in the bal-ance against the dwindling hopes that new concessions can head off new war in the Balkans.

Writing about Bosnia, Eugene Rostow noted that one force "sustains all law; moral revulsion." To bargain away sanctions - the one clear action taken to mobilize international revulsion against the Serbs — in an effort to contain the horrors of Bosnia to Bosnia is an affront to the concept of international law and justice.

This is a bleak moment for the

U.S. State Department. "You ask yourself if it can get any worse in Bosnia and then yes, it does get worse," Secretary of State Warren Christopher said candidly in

our recent conversation. "The op-

tions are diminishing. Croatia's demand that the United Nations withdraw its peacekeepers by the end of March - a demand "they seem determined to carry out," Mr. Christopher says — is a turning point for interna-tional diplomacy on Bosnia that for the past three years has never been glorious but has often been

sible in its own terms. It no longer is. In offering to suspend all economic sanctions against Serbia to protect the status quo on the ground the administration risks crossing a line that separates expediency from dishonor.

This is oot to dispute that the situation becomes much more tenuous and dangerous with the Croatian threat. The Pentagon and State Department have asked President Bill Clinton to extend the pledge be made in December to help UN peacekeepers evacuate Bosnia to include Croatia as well. U.S. ground troops could be engaged in covering a difficult strategic retreat in the Balkans in a matter of weeks if the diplomatic effort now under way fails.

Uotil oow, the major powers and the United Nations justified their failure to intervene and stop the carnage and ethnic cleansing in Bosnia by saying they bad at least prevented things from getting worse. They had "contained" the war.

Croatia is poised to snatch away that last fig leaf of honor hy resuming its war with Serbia when the peacekeepers leave. To head that off, the U.S. administratico has joined Britaio, France, Germany and Russia in offering to lift sanctions against Serbia in return for Belgrade's recognition and policing of its

By Jim Hoagland

borders with Bosnia and Croatia. The Serbs have shown little interest in a deal that would also have in be approved by Croatia, which would have to agree to keep the United Nations in place and accept an extended cease-fire that would leave Serbs in control of 25 percent of Croatia and 70 percent of Bosnia.

U.S. officials acknowledge this is desperation diplomacy. Mr. Christopher and the national security adviser, Anthony Lake, went along reluctantly with offering the Serbs the sanctions-lifting incentive under pressure from the Europeans and only after getting

a green light from the Bosnian government. France argues that the sanctions offer could clear the way for a Balkans peace conference proposed by Paris. If that turns out to be a miscalculation, the intangible costs for America and its allies will be enormous.

Bosnia has produced bitter arnuments in America and Europe about fundamental issues: justice, honor, responsibility. Governments responded by emphasizing the dangers of intervention, the good that humanitarian relief was doing and the success of containment. Those arguments added up to powerful reasons for America and its allies not taking sides in the conflict in any meaningful way.

But the containment policy is unraveling. The Serbian manipulation of humanitarian aid for its war aims has become transparent. The willingness now to bargain sanctions away for small Serbian commitments undermines the international cooperation needed to keep Mr. Milosevic isolated.

The sanctions offer cuts away the halfway ground on which America has balanced in Bosnia. Soon Washington will have to get in deeper, on the side of the governments of Sarajevo and Zagreb, or get out completely and accept the terrible consequences of not choosing sides in a war of aggression on the European continent.

The Washington Post.

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### The Drive-By Republicans Take a Cheap Shot at the Peacekeepers

WASHINGTON — Reading the Republican foreign policy bill that passed the House last week, I realized that on domestic policy the Republicans have a vision and on foreign policy they have graf-liti. Republicans backing this bill, which is the foreign policy component of the "Contract With America," don't oeed to pass a law to get their point across. All they oeed is spray paint and a blank wall of the United Nations so they can scrawl what's on their

minds; "Get Lost World. Newt Was Here," This bill is typical of the quality of Republican foreign policy thinking today. It is drive-by foreign policy. Shout whatever's on your mind as you drive by the White House and then hit the gas before you have to deal with the implications. The reason the Republicans have a foreign policy of one-liners is because they are deeply conflicted. They want to use foreign policy the way they always used it during the Cold War: to assert that they are the

party of strength, not the Democrats. But they also want to appeal to the isolationist impulses in the country, so they doo't want to pay for that strength with money or By Thomas L. Friedman

commitments. The result is the sort of muddle-headed thinking of Representative Dana Rohrabacher of California, who insisted that the foreign policy bill was "not about isolationism" but "about Americacomes-first policies." Oh, now I understand.

The House Republican bill called for increasing military spending on "star wars" anti-missile defenses (this part was thankfully defeated) so the United States would have more useless Nintendo technology to fight the least likely of wars. while restricting the president's ability to dispatch troops abroad to fight the most likely of wars, while cutting aid to the United Nations so that peacekeepers from other countries woo't have the funding to deal with the wars America doesn't want to fight, while ensuring that America will have to deal with all those messy wars alone because the bill forbids U.S. troops from

being put under any foreign command.
While they were at it, the Republicans also extended NATO membership to Po-

land, Hungary, Slovakia and the Czech Republic, but forgot to mention that this means committing U.S. troops to defend all of them as well. Connect those dots and you have the

Republican foreign policy.

The House Republicans don't seem to have noticed that today's United Nations is not the United Nations of the 1970s. when the Soviets and their pals could pass a resolution that the world was flat. Today, the United Nations is us. We thoroughly dominate it. It blesses what we want blessed, like Haiti, and it condemns whom

we want condemned, like the Libyans. The problem with the United Nations today is not that it is too strong, but that it is too weak. It lacks the resources and management to do the dirty jobs that we want done hut doo't want to do ourselves.

Now is not the time to weaken it further. If the Republicans are saying that the United Nations should be better managed, couldn't agree more; but if they are saying that it is useless and America should gut it further, they will rue the day. The Clinton administration contributed to this confusion. One reason the United Nations has been so discredited is because Clinton officials often used it as a scaperoat. When their Somalia policy went over a cliff, they blamed the United Nations, even though all the controversial military operations in Somalia were directed exclusively by the Pentagon. Still, Clinton officials hid behind excuses: "The UN made me do it."

The Clinton team is compounding the confusion thanks to the love-in that Secretary of State Warren Christopher is conducting with Jesse Helms, bead of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. A day doesn't go by without reading about how Chris and Jesse are getting along so well. This does not warm my heart.

Chris, wake up! Jesse is using you to legitimize his plans to end foreign aid and development assistance. You think you can appease him and save yourself grief. You can't, and you shouldn't. Jesse is a meanspirited isolationist. By cozying up with him you are blurring the differences between him and the internationalists. This is a time for drawing lines, not fudging them. The New York Times.

### Japan: Fresh Thinking About the Past and Future Is Long Overdue

T OKYO — The best tonie for Japan a month after the great Kobe earthquake is to avoid feeling sorry for itself and to search instead for a oew foreign policy compass.

There is an understandable temptation for the country to close its mental borders and worry only about domestie recoostruction. But it is vital that Japan start both to look backwards to the unpleasant realities of its behavior toward fellow Asians before and during the Pacifie War that ended 50 years ago, and to wake up to the oew challenges of the post-Cold War era. Only by confrooting the bar-

TOS ANGELES - There's a

I middle-aged man lying in a grave in Peru. His Moche civili-

zation, 300 years after Caesar, developed a technique for elec-

troplating gold ooto copper that would be unknown in Europe for

centuries in come. His people

built huge irrigation systems.

Then something happened.
The man belonged to a soci-

ety that chose progress through

creation of an infrastructure

that advanced agricultural and

artistic achievements. But at some point, advancement gave

way to implosion, and his peo-

ple eventually ceased to exist. We doo't know why.

There are nine multiprogram

laboratories, three of them nu-

clear-weapons laboratories, un-

der the auspices of the U.S. En-

ergy Department. They have

thrived during the past 50 years

through congressional largess in response to national-security

conceros. These labs have

hrought together researchers

whose ability and experience

cannot be replicated.

Benefits have spilled over into industry and medicine. For

instance, the Lawrence Liver-

more lab is engaging in subcel-lular research. The spin-offs, though unpredictable, may help

us uoderstand how malignan-

cies develop or can be treated.

At Los Alamos, California, soft-

ware has been developed to help

map the human genome, help-ing us understand and treat ge-netic diseases. Eveo weather

barism of the past bead-on, as Bank, to stimulate some fresh Germany did, and by dealing with future responsibilities will Japan escape from the insularity and oarrow economics that have shaped its extraordinary postwar.

Lasers, Genes and Grandma's Walker

By Katherine Dowling

predictions may become more

accurate as a result of research

But now funding for anything military has fallen out of favor

and the mission of the national

labs has become murky. To ad-

dress these issues, a re-evaluation

was undertaken that resulted in

recommendations for restructur-

hard sell. It makes no promise of

success. Setting up the hardware

to do the research is so costly as

to be incomprehensible to most

folks. As money becomes more

scarce, layers of administrators

and paperwork have been added to "supervise" research, further

And it's easier to comprehend

and vote for people-related is-

sues than for those that offer only the possibility of future

benefits. Grandma needs a walk-

er now, and poor teenage mothers could use job training. Law-

rence Livermore's national ignition facility, using lasers for limited fusion, just can't stack up. Societies that have progressed

beyond the hunter-gatherer level

build up excess energy in the form of time and talent. This

energy can be applied in one of

three ways. The society can tread

water, not creating anything

new, just maintaining the status quo. It can implode, wasting its talents in frivolity, as did the

frustrating scientists.

Basic scientifie research is a

at Lawrence Livermore.

ing of the labs' mission.

rise to become a trading and financial superpower.

It is immensely difficult for a society that is still deeply divided over how to evaluate its wartime record to swallow foreign prescriptions on the urgency of Japan be-coming a world leader once again. A recent attempt by Robert Mc-Namara, a former U.S. defense secretary and head of the World

By Roger Buckley thinking in the Japanese establishment drew a caunous response from a large audience in Tokyo.

Mr. McNamara's eminently sensible suggestion that Japan ap-proach the post-Cold War world as an opportunity rather than a tiresome burden imposed by outsiders earned him oo more than the polite applause accorded to all mternational guests.

Mr. MeNamara listed five great powers as the architects of the oew multipolar world: China, the European Union, Japan, Russia and the United States. He put

Roman Empire. Or it can raise

itself up, using excess resources for steady advancement. Static

societies are a luxury of earlier

times, which leaves forward or

backward movement as the ba-

America is now at the same

crossroad the Moche faced. The

country can elect, through its

national research labs and

through enlighteoed policies

that favor private research and

development, to advance re-

search, including ouclear phys-

ics, and create energy sources

for the future. Or it can decide

that the welfare and entitlement

functions of the government

take precedence. Advocate so-

cial spending above research and you've helped a few people, put a lot of researchers out of

work and lost expertise forever.

I'd rather see Lawrence Liv-

ermore get their lasers than Grandma get her walker. Be-cause if Grandma gets her walk-

er; if Uocle Fred is declared

totally disabled because his

back hurts and he is too lazy to

do the exercises in make it bet-

ter - then some day my grand-

children will sit on a polluted

old planet bereft of energy. And

unable to reach the stars. Some-

how, I think that gentleman in Peru would uoderstand.

The writer is family physician

at the University of Southern California School of Medicine.

She contributed this com

the Los Angeles Times.

sic choices today.

Mr. McNamara's vision of a world based on the rule of law where "national security would be supported by a system of collective security" is anodyne to North Americans and Europeans. But such a prescription causes consternation in Tokyo. Any reference to the United

Nations as more than a talking shop for diplomats and foreign ministers sets off alarm bells throughout the Japanese govern-ment and media. The cootradictioo between Japan campaigning for a permanent seat on the UN Security Council and the unlikeli-bood of any Japanese cahinet being prepared to commit troops ready, if necessary, to fight in major trouble spots around the globe on UN peacekeeping or peacemaking missions remaios as unresolved as ever.

The image of contemporary Japan as a state that pays the bills but keeps a safe distance from the armed conflicts of the late 20th century is fated to persist. Mr. McNamara warns: "Japan can no longer simply rely on the U.S. to protect its oational interests. While such a role was appropriate in the bipolar world, that time bas long passed." But this is hardly how the Japanese public view for-

India as the next contender for eign affairs. Their sense of dependencementship of this select club. dency on America has yet to come to terms with how Washingtoo now perceives the world. The paradox remains of Japan

behaving as an economic and financial superpower while still uncertain and half-bearted about how to deal with all other global issues. It is far from clear wbether Japan really wants to be a leader of international society. The only alternative is for the country to remain a follower, stumbling along in the footsteps of others.

If Japan is to accept the challenges of multidimensional responsibilities it must make two psychological shifts. The Japanese state must first secure a coosensus that this is indeed the correct way ahead. Japan's allies would then have to make correspooding adjustments in their treatment of Tokyo. Such a realignment would have

to be a two-way process. It could prove uncomfortable for the United States, Japan and for couotries in Asia that remain wary of future Japanese intentions toward the region.

The writer is a professor of history at the International Christian University in Tokyo. He contributed this comment to the Interna-tional Herald Tribune.

### IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

### 1895: Uneasy Austria VIENNA — The question of

anti-semitism in Austria commences in assume great dimen-sions, and disquietude prevails in Christian circles. At the conclusion of a meeting last summer at Linz, under the presidency of Prince Liechtenstein, leader of the Anti-Semitic party in the Lower House, a telegram expressing loyalty to the Pope was sent to Rome. The reply suggested the Holy Father approved of the ano-Jewish movement. A council of hishops was thereupon held in Vienna and it was decided that and-Semitic agitation would be injurious in the cause of Christianity.

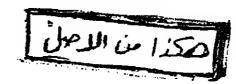
### 1920: Patriotic Chorus

PARIS - Another link in the chaio of friendship binding France and America is being forged io public schools of the

U.S. School children are being taught to sing the "Marseillaise." the stirring oational hymn of France. On Washington's hirth-day both the "Marseillaise" and the "Star-Spangled Banner" will rise from thousands of childish voices in America.

### 1945: Saving the Show NEW YORK — Thirty members

of the Army Air Forces surroundof the Army Air Forces surrounded Radio City station yesterday [Feb. 18] on the mission of recovering a 250-year-old Maggini violin belonging to Private Irving Fink who was to appear on radio station W.J.Z. Private Fink entered a referent profession of the profess tered a restaurant, parked his Maggini on a chair, and missed it a few minutes later. With the help of his comrades, the suspect was seized before boarding a train at the 50th St. station and booked for grand larceny. Private Fink was 10 minutes late for his broadcast.



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By John Pomfret

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KRAKOW, Poland - With trademark red berets and a reputation for toughness, the 6th Air Assault Brigade is one of the elite units of Poland's new army, an important cog in Warsaw's designs 10 join NATO.

One problem is that the 6th Brigade wants helicopters to perform its tasks, but has none. And there is a dispute over exactly what part of the army should command the brigade.

The troubles of this rapid reaction unit, with traditions going back to Pol-ish participation in the World War II battle of Arnhem, illustrate two critical problems facing armies of the former Warsaw Pact as they dream about inclusion in a military alliance that from 1949 to 1989 was their main ene-

defense spending in the region this year will be less than half of what it was in 1989.

The second is that command structures and training that made sense under the Soviet-led Warsaw Pact appear incongruous now. And the culture of treating the military like an

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aria Overdue

exclusive club only delays Eastern Europe's union with the West.

Lately, Russia's adventure in Chechnya has rekindled calls in Easiern Europe and some Western capitals for a faster expansion of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization to guarantee security to the countries of the East. But while political pressure mounts for expansion, Western military officials involved in Eastern Europe's transition wonder whether its nations are capable of meeting NA-

As important, the officials say, ure growing concerns that NATO, too, could suffer from a hasty decision to augment the 16-member alliance. Even among the region's most likely new members -- Poland, the Czech Republic, Hungary and maybe Slovakia --creating a NATO-compatible force could take years, if not decades, these experts say.

ed to permit sales to them of jet fighters, tanks and other sophisticated offensive weapons, U.S. officials said

Most of the countries would be un-

weapons, such as F-16 jet fighters, but eastern front. By the end of this year, U.S. military assistance might offset three times the manpower and weapthe cost. Arms sales to the countries onry will face the former Soviet Union, could improve their ability to contribute to the alliance. All the former Warsaw Pact countries have expressed inwould allow them to communicate

with their potential pariners.

Military reforms, launched in all the countries of the East and generally intended to bring Eastern Europe closer to the West, appear to have run afoul of poor cash flow and strong resistance among senior officers accustomed to the perquisites of power. Efforts to assert civilian control over the military are also generally failing.

However, some reforms have gone through. Communist political commis-sars, charged with ensuring the loyalty of the armed forces, bave been abolished. So, too, has the lopsided deployment of East European troops.

In 1989, for example, there were ployed on the border with East Gerwas arrayed along its frontier with fense and security."

while the Western border deployment will have dropped to 40 percent.

But the main result of the reforms, terest in acquiring secure according to one senior Western mili-communications equipment that tary official who studies Eastern Eutary official who studies Eastern Europe, has been to gut the Warsaw Pact. not to create new national armies capable of mounting a credible defense.

"Breaking up the Warsaw Pact was like chopping the limbs off a body," the official said. "But since then, nothing much else has been done. Now these armies couldn't fight themselves out of a wet paper bag." The excep-tion, the official noted, was Romania, ironically one of the poorest of the East European countries

Although NATO has only begun to codify standards for new members, broadly they involve two main categories, enunciated by Joseph Kruzel, U.S. deputy assistant secretary of defense, during a visit to Warsaw late last 200,000 Czechoslovak soldiers de- year: "First, an unshakeable commitment to the democratic process, inmany. Today there are barely 20,000 cluding a commitment for civilian con-Czech soldiers there. In 1992, more trol of the military; and secondly, an carriers well below the ceiling set by than 60 percent of the Polish Army ability to contribute to collective de-

able to afford the most expensive Germany and only 10 percent along its So far, Eastern Europe does not

qualify. None of the armies in Eastern Europe, except that of the Czech Re-public, is deemed by Western officials to be truly controlled by civilian authorities.

President Lech Walesa of Poland fired his defense minister after he proposed placing control of the army di-rectly under the civilian-dominated Defense Ministry, Mr. Walesa wanted to bypass the ministry and have the army controlled by the chief of general staff, who is appointed by the presi-

"Instinctively, our generals see the need for changes, but they can't accept the limitations on their power and civilian control," said Piotr Kolodziejc-zyk, the ousted defense minister, in an interview. "This is a significant problem, and it is an indispensable part of the reforms."

The Czech Republic, though its army is firmly controlled by its civilian government, faces other, severe problems. Western officials said

By the end of 1995, the army plans to shrink to 65,000 soldiers and cut its tanks, artillery and armored personnel the Treaty on Conventional Forces in Europe, according to Jiri Sila, a De-fense Ministry official.

### **Bosnian Army Battles**

Muslim Rebels in Bihac

SARAJEVO, Bosnia-Herzegovina — Bosnian government forces and Muslim rebels pounded each other with artillery and fought on the ground for a third day running on Sun-day near the rebels' stronghold in the Bihac enclave, a United Nations spokesman said.

In another step backward in peace efforts, rival Bosnian Serbian and Croatian local commanders refused to attend scheduled meetings under UN

In Bihac, where a war within a war has raged for weeks despite the cease-fire, infantry backed by mortar barrages fought on Saturday and on Sunday morning east of Velika Kladusa, the stronghold of the rebel leader Fikret Abdic.

"They are fighting for ground, but we haven't seen a change in the confrontation line or any major successes," said the UN spokesman in Sarajevo, Licutenant Colonel Gary Cow-

More than 244 detonations - military parlance for heavy weapons fire - were counted over the period, be said, Sporadic fighting also took place near Bihac town, where the Muslim-led government's 5th Corps is bottled up by Mr. Abdic's forces.

### **UN Inspectors Seek** More Iraqi Arms Data

BAGHDAD — Describing progress at destroying Iraq's arsenal of dangerous weapons as "too slow," Rolf Ekeus, the United Nations official in charge of the arms destruction program, arrived Sunday in Bagudad looking for more data, especially on biological weapone research

Under the terms of the ceasefire that ended the Gulf War in 1991, Iraq is required to rid itself of weapons of mass destruction.

### BRIEFLY EUROPE

### Major's Leadership Weakened

LONDON (Reuters) --- Prime Minister John Major's power was weakened further Sunday by the death of a Conservative member of Parliament from Scotland and signs that feuding within the governing party over the European Union

was refusing to die down.

The death of Nicholas Fairbairn put the Scottish National-Party, which finished a close second to the Conservatives in 1992, in a strong position to grab Mr. Fairbairn's Perthshire seat. Such a loss for the Conservatives would widen its minority in the House of Commons to seven seats.

Meanwhile, a former Conservative prime minister demanded the dismissal of cabinet ministers who did not subscribe to Mr. Major's call for Britain to be "at the beart of Europe."

### Gibraltar Victims' Families Appeal

STRASBOURG (Reuters) — The European Court of Human Rights will consider Monday a request to condemn Britain over the 1988 killings of three Irisb guerrillas by

British soldiers in Gibraltar.

The court will consider a plea by relatives of Daniel McCann, Mairead Farrell and Sean Savage that they were killed in violation of Article 2 of the European Human Rights Convention, which guarantees the right to life. The court is not expected to rule immediately.

The three unarmed members of the Irisb Republican Army

were shot March 6, 1988, on a Gibraltar street by soldiers of the elite SAS corps in civilian clothes.

### Poll Hints at Closer French Race

PARIS (AP) - In another sign that France's presidential race could be closer than expected, a weekend opinion poll showed a steep plunge in the popularity of the frontrunner, Prime Minister Edouard Balladur.

Mr. Balladur's approval rating dropped to 46 percent, from 55 percent last month, in a poll of 1,886 eligible voters conducted by the IFOP agency for the weekly Journal du

The prime minister, bead of the center-right government since March 1993, remains the favorite to succeed President François Mitterrand, a Socialist, in May. But the Socialist nominee, Lionel Jospin, has been gaining strength in the polls, and Mr. Balladur's chief conservative rival, Jacques Chirac, the mayor of Paris, has been encouraged by increasing signs that the prime minister may be vulnerable

First-round voting is scheduled for April 23. If no candidate gets 50 percent, the top two vote-getters will compete in a



European Union events scheduled for Monday:

BRUSSELS: The European Commission president, Jacques Santer, outlines the commission's economic and financial

BRUSSELS: Council of EU agriculture ministers discusses in public session, agricultural prices for 1995-96 and problem of transporting animals by road.

BRUSSELS: Foreign Minister Alain Juppé of France makes a statement on behalf of France, the current EU president, to the European Parliament external relations committee.

BRUSSELS: Manuel Marin, EU commissioner for the Middle East and Latin America, to address the European Parliament budget committee.

Sources: Agence Europe, AFP.



WITH A BANG — The alleged Serbian war criminal Zeljko "Arkau" Raznatovic, center, marking his wedding Sunday.

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### INTERNATIONAL

FINAL HOMAGE — An Iranian paying respects on Sunday to a relative killed in the 1980-88 war with Iraq. A mass funeral, attended by the country's senior leaders, was held in Tehran for 3,000 Iranian soldiers whose bodies were only recently discovered.

### AIRLINES: Former Rivals Team Up to Circle Globe

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cross shareholdings or equity stakes, already link Singapore Airlines, Delta Air Lines and Swissair; British Airways, Qan-tas Airways and USAir, and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines and Northwest Airlines.

Northwest and Air New Zealand said last week they would begin an international marketing agreement starting March 1.

Under the agreement, the two carriers will take part in each other's frequent flyer pro-grams, share airport facilities and offer joint fares and sales

Last mouth, Malaysia Airlines and Virgin Atlantic Airways of Britain announced a wide-ranging partnership under Asia were dynamic markets as a which the airlines will operate result of rapid economic to Australia.

Officials said that the arrangement, to start in April, would increase passengers and profits for both carriers, giving Malaysia Airlines greater access to the United States through code-sharing with Virgin Atlantic and extending the reach of Virgin in Asia.

the Pacific are being forced into between Asian and interconti-

"Competition has never heen stronger in the airline industry, and keeping costs under control is a major priority," Mr. Thamnoon of Thai Airways said.

The Asia-Pacific region is the fastest growing aviation market in the world, and U.S. and European airlines regard increased penetration of the region as vi-

Jim Goodwin, senior vice president of United Airlines' international division, said that China, India and Southeast

He said that United's strategy in China would be to increase its own flights there and to reach agreements with China's regional airlines to share

Peter Harbison, managing di-rector of BDW Aviation Services, a consulting firm in Syd-National carriers in Asia and ney, said that cooperation

commercial alliances with for-mer rivals from outside the re-continue to grow as European continue to grow as European gion to cut costs and increase and U.S. carriers entered the the pool of potential passen- Asia-Pacific region in greater strength.

Even though many Asia-Pacific airlines preferred to re-main free of such alliances, "op-erating and strategic pressures" to increase traffic and profits would force them to cooperate with Western carriers, he said.

Christian Blanc, chairman of Air France, the struggling French flag-carrier, recently told the newspaper Le Monde tal to their future profitability. that the airline was negotiating with potential alliance partners in Asia and the United States.

He declined to name them. Delta Air Lines and All Nippon Airways announced in June that they had agreed to joint flights from London to growth, an opening up to the discuss a wide-ranging business Kuala Lumpur, with service on West and an expanding middle alliance, which could be the alliance, which could be the tiese and a U.S. airline.

The two airlines said they were exploring cooperation in passenger and freight services, flight schedule coordination, enhancement of computer reservation systems, participation in each other's frequent-flyer programs and possible code-

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### **HESSE:** Free Democrats Score TRUFFLES:

Continued from Page 1 66 percent, the lowest level

since 1950. Friedrich Bohl, Chancellor Helmut Kohl's chief of staff, said that "we have not achieved our goal" of toppling Mr. Ei-

A jubilant Mr. Eichel told supporters in Wieshaden: "We have reached the main aim of leading the government for the next four years with an in-creased lead." The Greens, who say their

four-year coalition with the Socialists is a model for a future Bonn government, took 12.1 percent in the ARD projections and 11.5 percent in ZDF. The resulting share of seats in

the assembly in Wiesbaden was expected to be 44 for the Socialists, compared to 46 previously; 44 for the Christian Democrats against 46 before, 9 for the Free Democrats, compared to 8, and 14 for the Alliance90/Greens The Christian Democratic

campaign was headed hy Manfred Kanther, Mr. Kohl's

interior minister in Bonn. He Sniffing a Fraud had planned to form a government with the Free Democrats, Mr. Kohl's coalition partner in Bonn, if they had won a major-

The Christian Democrats in from the provinces of Shan-pped to the status of secondslipped to the status of secondiggest party in the state with 38.2 percent, according to and 38.4 percent hy ZDF. It won 40.2 percent in the 1991 Hesse election, hut Mr. Kohl's standing has been slipping because of discontent over the way he has handled problems stemming from Germany's 1990 unification. Mr. Kohl's governing coali-

tion's majority in the lower house of Parliament, the Bundestag, fell from 134 seats to 10 in federal elections last Octo- Chinese and French truffles

Because the Social Democrats govern nine of Germany's the famed Paris chef and res-16 states, they dominate the up-per parliamentary house, called know the difference is to have a involved with Macedonia. eiper parliamentary house, called the Bundesrat, where they are trained palate taste and identify ther coming back, getting ready able to hlock legislation pro-posed by Mr. Kohl.

(Reuters, AFP, AP) the but

### GERMANY: Metall Strike Threat Continued from Page 1

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of 4.5 percent," enough to shift the balance in favor of an earlier Bundesbank ughtening than presently generally expect-

ed," the report concluded.

IG Metall is claiming a larger share of the profits companies are expected to report this year as Germany emerges from a deep recession, while employers have argued that any wage gains should be offset hy concessions to improve compett-

tiveness, such as making rigid

work schedules more flexible. While the metalworkers icals industry was likely to agree on a moderate, paceset-ting wage rise of around 3 percent Tuesday night. Last year, the chemicals industry agreed on a 2 percent wage gain, which

metalworkers later accepted as

well, in addition to agreeing on

lower starting wages for new

"We have nothing against the Chinese farmers who want to cultivate their truffles, but they should be sold under their own name and not confused with ours," said Mr. Riousset, who has earned his living digging up and studying truffles in southem France for more than 30

The discovery of the scam in France is all the more galling

because of the hallowed place

that the fungus occupies in na-

donal lore. French literature is

larded with glorious references to the truffle's healthful and

aphrodisiac properties; whether

such claims are true does not

Africa's New Guerrillas: Pillage, No Politics

By Howard W. French New York Times Service

FREETOWN, Sierra Leone - Somewhere just beyond the mountainous peninsula that houses this numbledown capital lies a war zone that is defined not by battles pitting government forces against armed rebels, but by the stealthy hit-and-run handitry of a new type of African guerrilla warfare.

In four years of fighting for control of this loosely governed country of 4 mil-linn people, the shadowy rebels of the Revolutionary United Front have abandoned their efforts to hold onto conquered territory and have given up all pretense of a political radonale for their struggle.

Instead, their strategy, in addition to making a handsome living from pillage, seems to be to raise feelings of insecurity to the panic level. To achieve this, their increasingly destructive campaign consists nowadays of long marches through the countryside, where they have torched dozens of villages, taken hundreds of hostages, and sniped at army

recently reached the outskirts of this city in a series of attacks that have resulted

in the taking of 17 foreign hostages, including seven Roman Catholic turns, whose whereabouts remain unknown. Before melting back into the bush, the

guerrillas also briefly took over an American-owned utanium mine. and closed other mining operations that gen-erate two-thirds of the country's export

"They don't control anything," said the exasperated information minister, Arnold B. Gooding, "But they wreak havoc. They kill innocent villagers, kid-nap young boys and force them into service, burn down rice farms and even shoot the cows.

They take hostages and don't even ask for ransom," he said. "The only parallel we have been able to think of for this kind of thing is Pol Pot."
International observers here say that

they are as befuddled as officials of Sierra Leone's government about the aims of the rebel movement or even of the identity of its leaders. But with tens of thousands of refugees already spilling over into neighboring Guinea, they regard it as a frightening new trend in a In their most dramatic advance since the start of the war in 1991, the rehels recently reached the cutching and the control of the start of the start of the start of the cutching and the cutchi region in which amorphous bands of sway over broad stretches of country-

Liberia and decided you can make a good living hy ripping a country apart. said a Western diplomat, referring to the five-year-old civil war in that neighboring country, which many officials be-lieve served as a model for the rebellion

Diplomats and military leaders of Sierra Leone say that the rebel movement. known by its initials as the RUF, was founded by a cashiered army photographer named Foday Sankoh. It is believed to have been armed by the Liberian rebel leader, Charles Taylor, in retaliation against Sierra Leone for providing a forward hase for a regional

peacekeeping army deployed in Liberia. Mr. Sankoh's initially stated goal was to overthrow the corrupt dictatorship of Joseph Momoh. But Mr. Momoh, a former army general, was overthrown in a 1992 coup hy junior officers led by a 27-year-old captain named Valentine Strasser, who promised to organize democratic elections. Deprived of their original rationale, Mr. Sankoh's rebels fought on nonetheless.

Mr. Strasser's government has ledged to hold free national elections later this year, and has pleased international creditors with its management of Sierra Leone's nearly ruined economy.

These are young men who have seen But diplomats say that Mr. Strasser's government has proved inept at fighting the rebels.

Mr. Strasser quickly expanded Sierra Leone's Army in order to comhat the rebellion. Senior officers now admit that in their haste to do so, they recruited everyone willing to join — from teenagers and street thugs to enemy infiltra-

Government troops chasing after the rebels often loot whatever their adversaries have failed to take.

"They may have started out fighting for the dispossessed, meaning the ordinary Sierra Leonean," a diplomat said.
"But it seems that they quickly found out that there was another class of dispossessed who would pay for their services. That is the only way to explain how they've been able to sustain this."

### ■ Rebel Base Seized

A major rebel base in central Sierra Leone has been "completely destroyed" and 94 rebels killed, Agence France. Presse reported Friday from Freetown quoting a military official.

The official called the hase "a strategic point from which rebels had carried out almost nonstop ambushes and attacks" on a highway leading to the Kono

### TROOPS: New U.S. Role

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770,000 soldiers in 1989 to slightly fewer than a half-million, a 36-percent cut, the force in Europe hy the end of this year will have been slashed 70 percent, from 213,000 to 65.000.

That entails a 75-percent cut in combat battalions, from 147 to 37, and a two-thirds reduction in installations, from 858

Beyond sheer numbers, perhaps the most drastic change in Europe is in mission - what the military is supposed to do.

"We always considered ourselves a forward deployed force, that we were already where we were supposed to be," said Lieutenant General Jerry R. Rutherford, commander of V Corps in Heidelberg.

Instead, Europe has abruptly become a launchpad for operations all over the world. Since the end of the 1991 Gulf War, the army in Europe has sent 22,000 troops on 51 deployments to 30 different countries. This is roughly doubte the num-ber of soldiers deployed in the three decades before Operation Desert Storm.

"The variety of missions, the scope of training and the opera-tional responsibility is much wider than before, said Major. General L. Don Holder, commander of the 3d Infantry Division, one of two army divisions left in Europe, "Everything is in bounds. Nothing is beyond pos-sibility." He added: "We can't really specialize like we used

In less than two years, General Holder has sent a battalion to Kuwait, a company to Russia, a task force to Spain and assorted detachments to Haiti, Rwanda. Hungary, Romania and elsewhere. European-hased American troops have been to Somalia and Croatia, where two army field hospitals deployed, and the 1st Armored Division is preparing for duty in the former Yugoslav republics if the United Nations operation is with-

Asian fungus began appearing two years ago, several hundred tons of truffles have been flown Although many soldiering skills can be transferred from one mission to another, commanders and their troops these Chinese truffles have become a days must master a broad spectrum of military tasks. Peace-keeping duty in Macedonlia, with impartial, open patrolling in recent years, France has taken drastic measures to prounder a UN flag, is different tect the identity of its most from the stealth and lethality cherished foods from inferior foreigners. Cheeses are stamped that are critical in comhat. And with guarantees of their origin; the technical demands of mod-Bresse chickens bear telltale ern warfare, such as how to synhlue claws that protect against chronize air power, artillery. deception and a thousand other factors, are highly perishable But truffle fraud is far more skills if not practiced routinely.

difficult to detect. "Since the "There are six mechanized infantry battalions left in Gerhave the same look and feel to them," said Michel Rostang, many and at any one time, half them. But that's not a very prac- to go or being there," said one tical way to enforce honesty in senior commander. "That's taking soldiers who are the best trained in the world for heavy His own foolproof method, comhat and having them do he says, is to sample the truffle something else." on a piece of toast with salt and

The new demands can be olive oil; an even better way to hring out the pure flavor of frustrating for young comtruffles is to mix them in scram- manders.

"The peacekeeping drill and the mission creep means now that the box is too big. said Lieutenant Colonel lim Warner, an infantry battalion commander. "Pretty soon you throw up your hands and assume that you're never going to be able to completely cover anything.

Train Kills 3 Wire Thieves

The Associated Press PARIS - Three men trying to steal copper wiring from a railroad track were struck and killed by a passenger train near Evry, 35 kilometers south of Paris, police said Sunday.

### **TOPICS**

**AMERICAN** 

Smoking Bans Add a Burden For Mentally III in Hospitals

Advocates for the mentally ill say that the anti-smoking restrictions that are sweeping the United States are creating a cruel burden for mental patients.

As ever more hospitals restrict smoking, they say, patients are being forced to either give up or cut back on cigarettes precisely when they are the sickest and under the most stress.

Ruth Posner, former president of the Nassau County and Queens, New York, chapter of the National Alliance for the Mentally III and the mother of a 45-yearold schizophrenic, says, "To expect pa-tients to kick the habit when they're going into the hospital, which is an awful event to begin with, is really cruelty to the nth degree."

Hospitals insist that smoking causes an unacceptable health risk for patients and staff. Advocates like Mrs. Posner reply that some people may delay going into the hospital or refuse treatment altogether because of smoking restrictions. Surveys show that 70 percent to 90 percent of schizophrenics and half of those suffering from severe depression are smokers, compared with a third of the entire population.

In New York, state and city smoking laws have stopped short of forcing hospitals to ban smoking, giving them the option of having specially ventilated smoking areas.

### **Short Takes**

Up to half of the world's 6,000 living languages will probably become extinct during the next century, experts predicted at a conference in Atlanta of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. Modern communications let people speak to each other instantly all over the world, and drive the need for languages that many understand. Usually that language is English. Linguists concede this is not necessarily bad. But they urge the preservation of minor tongues as second, or even third, languages. In prehistoric times, between 10,000 and 15,000 languages were spoken. California has about 50 languages, mostly American Indian, All of them are in trouble,

For more than a century, one of the events of the year in American small towns was the circus parade from rail yard to tent ground. Horses, camels and elephants proceeded under their own power; lions and tigers rolled along in

cages. Clowns cavorted alongside. No longer, thanks to economics (the parades cost time and money), insurance (what if an animal bolts into the sidewalk crowd?) and protests from animal rights militants that the parade is just one more abuse. These days, the Ringling Bros. and Barnum & Bailey Circus, long the higgest in the country, creeps into town after dark. "Things are a lot more regulated than they were five years ago," a spokesman said. "Risk management is much more involved."

Not everything is falling before the ourush of civilization, however. The last of Manhattan's elevated lines, the giant four-track railroad viaduct going up Park Avenue from 111th Street to the Harlem River, built in 1897, is being rebuilt in a \$120 million Metro-North Commuter Railroad project.

How to stop drivers from falling asleep and drifting off the highway? The Pennsylvania Turnpike adopted a simple and highly effective solution that is being widely copied, according to the Interna-tional Bridge, Tunnel & Turnpike Asso-ciation in Washington. The cement or asphalt shoulders on both sides of the roadway are heavily corrugated, providing enough sound and vibration to awaken most drivers. The association says this has cut drift-off accidents by two-thirds,

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### INTERNATIONAL

### West Agrees on Rwanda Relief \$600 Million Reflects New Hope of a Recovery

By Jonathan C. Randal Washington Post Service

KIGALI, Rwanda — Western governments have set aside ingering suspicions about Rwanda's new government and committed nearly \$600 million to help the country on a perilous road to

Ten months after the start of ethnic bloodshed and civil war that cost an estimated half million lives. UN officials and foreign aid workers say there is hope that the morally and physically shattered country can be put back together.

Some diplomats and aid officials said donor governments are cooperating with Rwanda's new rulers to compensate for not having acted during the unchecked slaughter of Tutsis and moderate Hutus last spring by a hard-line Hutu extremist regime.

The Hutu rulers were ousted in July by the Tutsi-led Rwandan Patriotic Front, which installed the present government. But donor na-tions kept the administration at arm's length for months, fearing that it would seek reprisals against Hutus who did not Nee the country and would deay the Hutu majority any measure of

But now donor countries seem content to disburse aid while maintaining a careful watch on the authorines' performance

Donors pledged last month to offer Rwanda balance-of-payments help, funding for refugees dered and led the genocide.

abroad and inside the country, project aid for economic development and much-needed money for the barely functioning state machinery.

The \$588 million represented three-quarters of the government's \$764 million request. That "incredible response," according to a diplomat, reflected a realization "that if the international community allowed the genocide here to go unpunished, it would be sending a terrible message to the rest of the world." The U.S. pledge was for \$60 million.

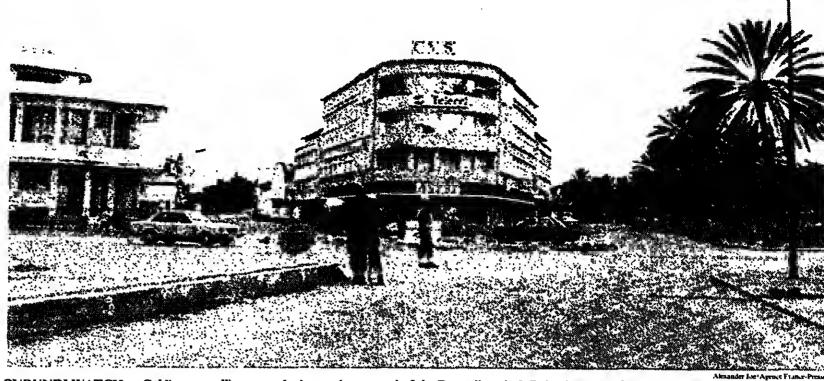
Compared with where Rwanda stood only months ago, the country's leaders are "much more comfortable," Prime Minister Faustin Twagiramungu said in an interview

"After six months during which the govern-ment received no bilateral aid, we now are satisfied," said Mr. Twagiramungu, one of two highranking Hutu moderates in the Tutsi-dominated

The aid package, he said, "marked an important turning point" because the donor communi-

ty "recognized our government."
Yet, neither the government nor international aid workers are convinced that success is

Nearly two million Rwandans, most of them Hutus who fled as the old government fell, are in refugee camps in Burundi, Tanzania and Zaire. Among them are the defeated regime's politicians, soldiers and militiamen who planned, or-



BURUNDI WATCH - Soldiers patrolling a nearly deserted crossroad of the Burundi capital, Bujumhura, amid a general strike called by the Tutsidominated opposition to press for Prime Minister Anatole Kanyenkiko to quit. The strike, begun Tuesday, has led to violence between Tutsi and Hutu.

BOOKS

### BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

HE diagramed deal from the Fall Nationals in Minneapolis, on which Dan Hirschman sat South, helped him be-come, at age 9, the youngest regional winner.

When he responded one heart to one club, his partner, Jane Steinhardt of Southfield Michigan, made a dramatic, if precipitous, leap to six hearts. After any lead but a club, the slam would have had good chances, but West produced the

South played low from dummy, with a slight chance that West had led from the king, and East won. A club return was won with the queen, and South had to face the problem of the trump suit.

One possibility was to lead to the queen, hoping for a double-ton or singleton king in the West hand or a singleton ten with East. That would have been slightly wrong. Instead, South made the correct play by

leading the jack for a finesse. This was covered by the king,

and the ace won. He now had another problem, and solved it correctly by entering his hand with a diamond play and leading the nine for a second finesse. When this won he took a third finesse, this time an easy one, to make his slam.

In the replay, the opposing South player failed in four hearts, but how that happened, history does not record.

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West led the club seven.

### BORDERLINERS

By Peter Hoeg. Translated from Danish by Barbara Haveland. 277 pages. \$22. Farrar, Straus &

Reviewed by Michiko Kakutani

IKE Peter Hoeg's last novel, the best-selling "Smilla's Sense of Snow," "Borderliners" is one of those books that functions on two levels.

"Smilla" was both a thriller and a philosophical meditation on the human condition; "Borderliners" is a harrowing tale of an orphan's ordeals within the Danish child-care system and a philosophical meditation on the nature of time. The biggest difference be-

tween the two novels - and it is a huge one — has to do with language and tone. Whereas "Smilla" boasted a marvelously eccentric narrator, who related her story in wry, impatient prose, "Borderliners" (eatures an evasive and depressed narrator. who cloaks his anxiety in

### · Antonio Gutiérrez, secre-

tary-general of Spain's Workers Commissions labor union, is reading "Buddha of Suburbia," by Hanif Kureishi. 'It's a story in the England of

the 1970s, when the nation still knew how to mix races and cultures, producing a tolerance infinitely more enriching than Thatcher's values of individualism and Puritanism that fol-(Al Goodman, IHT)

often tries the reader's patience.
As a reader gradually discoved children.

ers, "Borderliners" is narrated by a man named Peter, who not only shares the author's first the crusts the students "had to name but also says he was adopted by a family named bread." After he is nearly raped Hoeg when he was 15. The story by a teacher there, Peter is Peter relates takes place in the transferred, under a special pro-1960s and early 70s, in the gram, to an elite private school, years before his adoption.

The fictional Peter tells us windy, metaphysical asides. phans: first a home for infants, Children are monitored day his own tongue, the administra-

The result? "Borderliners" is a then a children's home, a rewillfully elliptical narrative that form school and a school for

The last was known as Crusty House, Peter says, because of make do with instead of proper Biehl's Academy,

The portrait Peter draws of that he spent his early years at a Biehl's makes the school seem series of institutions for or- like a miniature police state: a student's attempt to cut off

and night by a strict and unfor-giving staff, and transgressions are punished with reprimands, hlows and beatings. Peter soon begins to suspect that there is a secret "plan" behind the school's strict regimen, a plan

In the course of his troubled tenure at Biehl's, Peter manages to make two friends he will treasure for the rest of his life: Katarina, a beautiful girl with whom he promptly falls in love, and August, a psychotic boy whom he adopts as a kind of

he determines to expose.

In retrospect, Peter observes, his love for Katarina and August has taught him the mean-ing of family and responsibility; it has given him hope and the will to live.

With the help of Katarina and August, Peter begins to conduct an investigation of the school. He suggests, in portentous asides to the reader, that some sort of Darwinian experiment is being conducted with the students. As evidence, he cites some disturbing incidents:

tion of sedatives to August, the changed. And you have to sense concealment of student records. that within or hehind this Although Hoeg is intermit- change there is also something tently able to use such incidents to orchestrate a sense of narrative tension, one later learns that many of them are little

leaves the reader with a vague sense of dissatisfaction. To make matters worse, Peter embroiders his story with pretentious musings about the nature of time. "What is time?" he asks near the beginning of the novel, "I shall have to try to say, but not yet. It is too overwhelming for that. You have to begin

more simply. What does it

more than deliberately placed

red herrings, a realization that

is a timepiece? And later: "To sense time, to speak about time, you have to that was present before. The perception of time is the inexplicable union in the consciousness of change and constancy.

These highly abstract soliloquies are apparently meant to add resonance to Peter's story. and to underscore one of the novel's central themes concerning the dehumanizing effects of

Unfortunately they have another effect entirely: They weigh the story down, turning what might have been a deeply affecting story about a young boy's painful coming of age into mean - to measure time? What a lugubrious and strangely impersonal allegory,

Michiko Kakutani is on the sense that something has staff of The New York Times.

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### Murky Rate Outlook Clouds Market

### By Carl Gewirtz tional Herald Tribune

PARIS - The dollar and other U.S. asset prices have taken off in different directions for the same reason — the prospect that the year-long rise in short-term U.S. interest rates is close to peaking and it is still anybody's guess whether the

basic premise is correct. There may be some clarification this week when Federal Reserve Board Chairman Alan Greenspan makes his semi-an-nual appearance before Congress. But even the pessimists on the interest-rate outlook, such as J. P. Morgan, which maintains its forecast that short-term rates will rise to 8 percent from the current 6 percent, think it unlikely that the Fed will increase rates when its next meeting is held

on March 28. As a result, it could be some time until a clear picture emerges on the ontlook for

U.S. interest rates. In the meantime, bond market optimists argue that higher short-term rates will not adversely affect prices on long-term paper as a strong anti-inflation stance by the Fed will comfort investors.

At present, however, traders report that capital flows into the international bond market remain low, with institutional investors preferring the relative safety of their home markets.

Cash-ricb clients in the Far East are reported to be the most active participants, and it is unclear whether they are investing

converting at an unfavorable exchange rate or whether they think dollar bonds are

a steal at current levels. The two largest issues last week, each \$500 million of global registered bonds, drew heavy support from Asian investors

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outside Japan as well as solid support from

domestic U.S. investors. The most controversial of these was the five-year issue for the U.S. governmentsponsored Student Loan Marketing Association. The notes were priced to yield 19 asis points more than comparably dated I.S. government paper, a level that analysts agreed was fair value to investors.

But the admission from the manager Nomura International that it took no commissions to underwrite and market the paper led to griping that Nomure was engaging in cutthroat competition to win

The complaints were rejected by Robert Gray, chairman of the market practices committee of the International Primary Market Association, as well as other leading participants who note that it is com-

dollar income in dollar bonds to avoid mon practice for major and frequent issu-converting at an unfavorable exchange ers such as sovereign states to sell paper under existing medium-term note pro-

grams with no fees paid to the arranger. "It's no more cgregious than the fre-

quent practice of mispricing new issues." a non-Japanese banker said. Nomura said it made its profit on the deal by providing the issuer a swap into a floating-rate liability. The official estimated that 64 percent of the issue was sold in Asia with only 29 percent of that going to

Japanese participation in the 10-year bond for the Federal National Mortgage Association, another U.S. governmentsponsored issuer, also was small, although substantial amount was sold in Asia.

With the approach of the close of Japan's fiscal year at the end of March. bankers report that Japanese investors are even less interested in purchases of foreign securities than they had been. It is this ever smaller capital outflow against continued heavy dollar sales by Japanese exporters that accounts for the yen's latest appreciation, bankers report.

European retail investors are reported to be attracted by the low value of the dollar and have been keen buyers of short-dated paper. But bankers said the new-issue acivity in yen, Italian lire, French francs and Deutsche marks was targeted at domestic investors. Although foreign money is obviously moving into the mark, the funds are mostly placed on short-term deposit rather than going into bonds.

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### Bonds Captive to Greenspan and Dollar

NEW YORK - Treasury bond and note prices hit their highest levels in a few months last week, hut they could face pressure this week from the Federal Reserve Board chair-

U.S. CREDIT man's congressional testimony and the dollar's weakness.

Short-term yields are likely to head higher, and prices lower, as the government supplies the market with \$28 billion more of sbort-term notes this week. Alan Greenspan, the Fed

chairman, will offer his Humphrey-Hawkins testimony on Wednesday, which also could pressure the short end. Weakness in the dollar will continue to weigh on the long end of the

But analysts said the bond market was basically in good

shape, and any sell-off would be indicators coming out next just a temporary setback.

The price of the 30-year Treasury bond hit a 5-month high last week, finishing with a yield of 7.58 percent, down from 7.67 percent a week ago. Two-year notes got to the highest price. and lowest yield, since early November, ending the week at a yield of 7.03 percent, down

from 7.30 percent a week ago. The price gains occurred as portfolio managers snapped up short-term paper for fear of missing the rally and in a flight-to-quality response to Mexico's ongoing financial crisis.

The economic news was a mixed bag, hut market participants concentrated on retail sales and bousing starts, which confirmed their belief that the economy is slowing and that the Fed may be nearing the end of its current series of rate in-

creases. There are very few economic back a hit."

week to alter that point of view, market may be vulnerable to a but Mr. Greenspan might upset setback; he thinks it has gotten traders if he sticks to the kinds far ahead of itself, pricing in an of remarks he made last week.

In contrast to other Fed officials who recently indicated the Fed may be close to the end of and the high rates of industrial capacity use in a speech this

Mr. Greenspan also said growth would have to slow to svoid an increase in inflationary pressures, although he said some statistics showed signs of

Mr. Greenspan "has been among the more cautious of Fed officials, to say the least," said Gary Schlossberg, an economist at Wells Fargo. "Certainly downbeat testimony by Mr. Greenspan could set the market

Mr. Schlossberg said the setback; he thinks it has gotten economic deceleration that has yet to occur.

"I don't see in the numbers that have come out in the last its tightening cycle. Mr. Green- couple of weeks clear-cut signs span reiterated his concerns of the kind of slowdown that will about inflationary pressures put a lid on inflation," he said:

Harvey Hirschhorn, director of research at Stein. Roc & Farnham, is bullish on bonds, hut he said he expected Treasury prices to swing for the next several months as numbers showing slower growth compete with reports of a pickup in in-

"The momentum in the market is getting to the point where there's an overbought situation. and with these uncertain and anxieties developing, I think we can expect some more turbulence in the bond market," he

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### Mexico Turns Sour on Ill-Fated Tesobonos

The Associated Press

MEXICO CITY - Mexico's central bank has said it would not sell Tesohonos, the dollar-linked government bonds that have caused much grief during the country's current economic crisis.

Instead, the Bank of Mexico is offering to buy back \$2 hillion worth of the Tesobonos this week. But the bank did not say wbether it was permanently

scrapping the bonds. Analysis said the move was in line with government efforts . crease interest rates to keep holders from to curb its reliance on dollar-denominated bills to finance public spending in order to limit the drain on foreign currency reserves.

The peso has lost about 40 percent of its value against the dollar since Dec. 20, placing a huge hurden on the economy as investors pulled out of the Mexican market and exchanged pesos for dollars at the higher exchange rate.

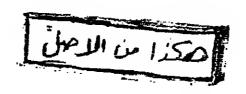
The Bank of Mexico has had to indumping the Tesobonos all at once.

The Tesobonos were introduced in November 1991 and about \$20 billion remain outstanding.

A \$210 million issue in Tesobonos that the bank offered last week was fully sold. Interest on paper with a 91-day maturity rose 1.59 percentage points, to 16.99 per-

### New International Bond Issues Compiled by Paul Floren Floating Rate Note: Standard Credit Card Moster Trust 95-4 Valvo Group Finance European Investment Bonk National Bank o Canada 5umitomo Fixed-Coupons Federal National Mortgage Association General Etectric Copitol Corp. \$200 1997 74 101,0275 100.50 Reaffered at 100.09, Noncollable, Fees 11/2%. (IBJ Int'l.) PepsiCo Rabobank Nederland 100.15 Noncallable. Fungible with outstanding issue, raising total of 0.20%, [PoineWebber.] Student Loa Marketing Association Reoffered at 99.505. Noncollable, Fees 2%, (Deutsche Bank am 200 2000 7¼ 101.679 — Nancallable, Fees 2½%, (OG Bank, Ford Credit Europe Argeniaria Global Finance Eurofimo Abbey National Treasury Services with outstanding issue, raising total amount to 250 i Helaba Finance 99.70 Nancallable. Fees 13/6%. (Credito Italiano.) ITL 350,000 1998 10% 101.215 99.70 Noncollable, Fees 14%, (Banca Nazionale del Lavoro, **World Bank** 634 100.54 99.6 ReoNered at 99.949. Noncallable, Fees 1%, | Crédit Commercial de France, General Electric Capital Corp. Yield 9.292%. Noncallable. Proceeds Aus\$162 million, Fees 11/6%. I Dalwa Europe.) 5BAB Asohi Finance Noncolloble, Fees 0.30%, Denominations 10 million yen. [Merrill Lynch Int'l.] Noncallable. Also 5 billion yen at 1999 notes paying 4.23%. Fees 0.375%. (Merrill Lynch Intil Merrill Lynch & Co. Y 15,000 2002 5.05 100-36 Y 30,000 1998 3.55 99.49 Quebec

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### **Creativity Moves On-Line** With Virtual Advertising

**By Daniel Tilles** 

Special to the Herald Technology ARIS - The best way to visit the Hallson International advertising agency is through a modem, because apart from Alan Hallberg's home in Paris, there is no physical office. But the former BBDO ad agency executive and founder of a one-man, self-described "virtual" agency more than six months ago offers a worldwide network of creative, marketing and media talent.

His clients include Apple Computer Inc. and Creative Labs, an

electronic components maker.

Via electronic mail and other interactive bookups, Hallson is trying to prove that advertisers can get the same advertising and marketing services traditional agencies offer, but for significantly

Some industry professionals think the Hallson operation represents the advertising wave of the future. "It's where everyone will be moving in 2 to 3 years." said Philip Byford, development director at

International Co-Productions, a hution company that has worked with Hallson International.

London production and distriorganized in a way that But others, including Mr. doesn't work Hallberg, realize that being first does not ensure success because

advertisers and agencies will be slow to accept the benefits that interactive technology can offer. "Ad agencies are organized in a way that doesn't work anymore," Mr. Hallberg said. Traditional multilayered staff structures are turning agencies into dinosaurs in the interactive age, he said. "There's something fundamentally wrong when clients say they're paying too much, agency employees complain about being overworked, management complains elients are underpaying and all the while nobody's received a salary raise."

At least one major advertising executive said that interactive technology would change the way agencies were organized and operated, not just alter definitions of what advertising is and does.

"Technology will make information more available," said Martin Sorrell, chief executive of WPP Group PLC, the London holding company for ad agencies J. Walter Thompson and Ogilvy & Mather, "This means the traditional structures of an ad agency, which haven't changed for 80 years in some cases, are going to

change. We must examine what will be better." For Hallson, "better" means using the Internet, CompnServe and AppleLink to tap into needed free-lance advertising resources worldwide. When a job is complete, his "agency" disappears until the next project. The lack of fixed overhead has permitted Hallson to save clients 50 percent on fees that traditional agencies would demand. A recent project for Creative Labs shows how.

Bill Holtzman, a European marketing director for Creative Labs

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### Santander To Expand Stake in Banesto

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches SANTANDER, Spain — Banco Sanlander SA, Spain's largest commercial bank, will seek a core of related shareholders that will allow it to control 70 percent of Banco Español de Crédito SA, known as Banesto, Santander Chairman Emilio Botin said.

We are very satisfied with the progress made by Banesto in the months since we acquired Mr. Botin said to shareholders, adding that Santander was likely to see a return on its Banesto investment in three rather than four years as originally forecast. "Banesto has reached objectives far above what we had foreseen.

Santander, which holds 49 percent of Banesto, will increase its stake to 50 percent and will seek affiliated shareholders to own an additional 20

"In that way, two-thirds of Banesto's capital would be linked to Santander," Mr. Botin

At the meeting, shareholders approved payment of a final gross dividend of 260 pesetas (\$2) per share, down 11 percent from last year. Mr. Boun said the cut was "a sign of our confidence in the future, but also of our prudence," The cut helps the bank to better digest the purchase of the Banesto stake.

Mr. Botin said Santander intended to rebuild biquidity affected by the purchase price for 50 billion pesetas.

Mr. Botin confirmed plans the bank would invest \$500 million in Mexico and said the emphasis would be on building relations with Mexican

Last November, Santander 65 years to open a branch in Mexico, with an investment of \$110 million. "We think that co and we plan to take advantage of them," he said.

would be replaced.

### Perils of Mobile Capital Unbridled Outflows Savaged Mexico

By Carl Gewirtz

PARIS - At the end of the day, who benefits from the gospel according to the economic establishment that capital should be allowed to flow freely across borders?

The establishment, that is to say the International Monetary Fund and the Organiza-tion for Economic Cooperation and Development, maintains that the world benefits.

But the world is not a single entity and a better allocation of resources that creates jobs

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in Asia, for instance, may destroy jobs elsewhere. And an elected government's ability to implement social policy may be compromised by enormous cross-border capital flows.

Indeed, the mammoth size of today's global capital flows raises the question of whether these have not become a force for continuing

"I'm not certain that political stability is compatible with an open-ended commitment to the free movement of capital," said George Magnus at S.G. Warburg & Co. in London. "Everyone thinks it's good when capital flows freely without engendering a crisis, especially when it's flowing in. But when it flows out, it's

Alluding to the fact that financial interme-diaries earn their fees on every purchase and sale, regardless of whether the transaction was profitable or not for the investor, Mr. Magnus noted that "in financial markets, you'd be hard put to find people who favor selective capital controls or who support managed trade, it's not in the industry's nature to favor such regulation."

For Charles Wyplosz, an academic expert who teaches at INSEAD, the French husiness school, "the liberalization of financial markets is changing the world. It's creating much more instability. We've seen it in the explosion of the European monetary system, we've seen it in Mexico, and it's only the start. It will

happen over and over again. The liberalization of capital flows as well as trade is presented by the economic establish-ment as a desirable goal on the basis of the argument that it is better to have prices reflect supply and demand rather than an arbitrary level established by bureaucrass and politicians. The theoretical reward for this good behavior is an efficient allocation of resources that reduces distortions in prices. How big a savings this amounts to, said Mr.

Wyplosz, "no one knows. Personally, I suspect it's not very large, although most people think it's rather important."

In his view, the more important benefit of unrestricted capital flows is the discipline it imposes on governments. "When governments can't repress home financial markets, they have got to be more careful" about the policies they adopt.

"Markets have become the custodian of good behavior, and, on average are better guardians than governments," he added, even though governments are elected and market operators are not. "Day-to-day economic policy-making is more sophisticated than electorates can or want to understand. So, on a daily basis, governments are monitored by markets which are not politically motivated."

But Mr. Wyplosz also admitted that "markets don't always have perfect information and can shoot from the hip. There have been and will be instances where markets create tremendous tarmoil. There will be circumstances when we regret that markets are so free to make mistakes." An advocate of limits on capital mobility in

special circumstances, Mr. Wyplosz asserted that "there will be no monetary union in Europe if markets are left unfettered."

For Europe, he proposes a system of compulsory deposit requirements on international capital movements of financial intermedi-

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### China and U.S. Make Progress On Trade Issues

United States have made some progress in talks aimed at diprotecting intellectual property States. rights will continue next week Chin will continue next week with higher-ranking officials, both sides said Sunday.

The talks on interest week China passed stricter copyright laws in 1992, but U.S. officials say enforcement.

na's protection of copyrights. States claims its companies have patents and trademarks will lost \$1 hillion in business be-continue on Wednesday, said cause of illicit copies and imita-Lee Sands, a U.S. negotiator. China invited Charlene Bar-

shefsky, a deputy U.S. trade the U.S. embassy called an "ini-representative, to hold talks tiation of a special enforcement with Wu Yi, China's trade min-period," for China to huild up ister, and other Chinese leaders. Mr. Sands said.

but he refused to elaborate.

The negotiations have been frank and have covered in detail series aimed at cracking down improved protection of copy-right and trademark goods," the who until recently had faced li-United States said Saturday. United States said Saturday.

The talks, which began Tues- China's anti-pirucy laws. day, have been constructive and One of the factories, in the progress was made, the Xinhua eastern city of Nanjing, turned news agency quoted a Ministry out nearly 900,000 disks in a of Foreign Trade and Economic seven-month period ending in Cooperation official as saying. February 1994, the newspaper But the ministry did not give said. It did not give an output details.

settlement on the issue could be the south that they say are pro-

Washington has threatened compact disks per year. to impose 100 percent tariffs on

about \$1 billion of Chinese im-BELIING — China and the ports if no agreement is reached in the States have made some by then, and China has said it would immediately impose verting a trade war, and talks on sanctions against the United

The talks on improving Chi- far from adequate. The United tions by Chinese manufacturers.

Discussions touched on what its anti-piracy infrastructure. Meanwhile, more factories

Mr. Sands said other impor-tant issues needed to be solved, ed compact disks and laser disks recently were shut down. The raids were the latest in a

tle or no enforcement despite

Mr. Sands left open the possouthern Guangdong province, sibility that a U.S.-imposed U.S. negociators have called deadline of Feb. 26 for reaching for China to close 29 factories in ducing some 75 million pirated

(AP, Reuters)

### (\$2.42 billion) and planned a number of debt issues, including convertible bonds valued at Search for WTO Chief Shifts Into High Gear dates and his supporters and help end a United States, the world's largest trade Latin Americans who also officially sup-dispute that is all by paralyzing the new power, and particularly from U.S. Trade port Mr. Salinas say privately that the

GENEVA — Tortuous negotiations on a long-term chief for the new World Trade Organization will move into a crucial phase this week as officials prepare to reveal the strength of support for

each of the three candidates. The contest - iovolving an Italian, a became the first foreign bank in South Korean and a Mexican - has turned into a clash of wills between the European Union and the United States. Envoys said the outcome would largely there are very, very great oppor-tunities to do business in Mexi-swallow defeat.

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candidates' supporters will be made and Italy's former trade minister, far Mr. Botin also confirmed re- known at a mid-week meeting between ahead with around 80. ports that Santander had dis-missed two traders from its the WTO General Council chairman that no wrongdoing was in- blocs behind the three runners.

(Bloomberg, Reuters) reappraisal by at least one of the candi-

Delegations to the WTO say they want a final decision by March 15, when Ireland's Peter Sutherland, who agreed to steer the organization for the first two and a half months of its existence, says he wants to leave.

Informal tallies of preferences among the 128 member states of GATT, the General Agreement on Tariffs and wallow defeat.

year, put Renato Ruggiero, the stan-Diplomats say the numbers of the dard-bearer for the European Union

tries behind him, according to counts enough. volved but that the traders The hope is that this move, by making based on the bloc support for the three

Representative Mickey Kantor, comes Carlos Salinas de Gortari, former president of Mexico, with around 20 backers.

If figures were all that counted, the race would have been over and Mr. Ruggiero declared winner long ago.

The Italian has held a long oumerical lead from the start. He is bolstered hy backing from outside the EU of former Communist states, some countries in North Africa and almost the entire African, Caribbean and Pacific group of

former European colonies. But under the rules of the WTO, as in GATT, major decisions like the choice Kim Chul-su, South Korea's former of a director-general are taken by contrade minister and present international sensus, and consensus can be blocked by mained the ideal man. emerging-markets trading who has sounded out delegations, and trade amhassador, is in second place just one country, even by a country that Key envoys said the figures could lead group in New York. He said ambassadors of key countries in the with more than 20 Asia-Pacific coun- is small in trade terms if it is determined either Mr. Salinas or Mr. Kim to with-

Third, despite vocal support from the at least to Mr. Ruggiero, although even be asked to stay on.

port Mr. Salinas say privately that the Mexican's candidacy is now fatally

Mr. Salinas's once impeccable creden-tials as an economist, as well as a politician who led his country away from protectionism into a market system, have been sullied by Mexico's financial crisis, which broke just after he left office in December.

But only last week, as Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany was reported to be urging President Bill Clinton to recognize realities and prompt Mr. Salinas insisting that the Mexican official re-

draw. But if neither gives up and the In this contest the United States, the blockage continues, there is increasing it clear where each stands, will force a and leaving out some who are besitating. largest player, seems fixed on saying no. speculation that Mr. Sutherland might

### **Beijing Recasts Steel Management**

Zhou Beifang was arrested as chairman of Shougang.
Hailed by Beijing as a model
state enterprise, Shougang has

enjoyed the patronage of China's senior leader, Deng Xiao-May 1992.

cial. His replacement is much operations.

son, Deng Zhifang. The arrest will throw a spot-

Fokker employs about 8,500 people.

plant in Ypenburg, Netherlands.

2,000 Jobs at Fokker to Go

HAMBURG — Daimler-Benz Aerospace AG plans to cut 2,000 jobs at its miprofitable Dutch subsidiary, Fokker NV. according to a report Sunday in Der Spiegel, a German news

Daimler-Benz was not immediately available for comment.

The report also said Daimler-Benz planned to close Fokker's

The designated board chairman of Daimler-Benz Aerospace,

Manfred Bischoff, has said that drastic rationalization measures at Fokker were necessary to restore the company to profitability.

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches light on the activities of Chinese HONG KONG — Shougang companies' Hong Kong-listed Corp., China's largest steel- subsidiaries, dubbed "red maker, announced on Sunday a chips." Last year China started replacement for the boss of its clamping down on the flight of Hong Kong operations who capital that made many of these was arrested in Beijing for "serious economic crimes." companies major players on the territory's real estate and securities markets.

last Monday, the day before his father, Zhou Guanwu, retired as chairman of Shougang.

The younger Mr. Zhou, 42, rose from Shougang's lower ranks in October 1992, when be teamed up with Li Ka-shing, a Hong Kong tycoon, to buy the Hong Kong-listed Tung Wing Steel Holdings, now renamed ping, who granted it preferen-tial treatment after a site visit in tional Enterprises, the group's listed flagship.

A statement issued by Shou-"The retirement was not re-lated to the arrest," the spokes-man said. "Zhou's arrest will Zhou's arrest said that his disnot affect the company because missal would not have any "sighe was only a low-ranking offi- nificant impact" on company

The elder Mr. Zhou was re-Zhang Yanlin, chairman of placed by Bi Qun, a vice minis-Shougang Peru Mining Corp. ter at the metallurgical minis-and a former vice president of try. That move has prompted Shougang Corp., was named as many securities analysts in chairman of Shougang Holding Kong to wonder if links ings (HK), which manages to Mr. Deng were still a valuable asset in view of his declination in the four last of the state of the

one of these units, the real estate and investment concern shougang Concord Grand and Friday after the announce-(Group), is headed by Deng's ment of the retirement but before that of the arrest.

### Bears Speak Up as Dow Tests Record

By James K. Glassman Washington Post Service

NEW YORK - The Dow Jones industrial average is a number that sums up the prices of a few dozen big stocks. On a chart, it's a dot. Connect the dots and you get a line that takes on qualities that are almost buman. It bides its time. It loses its confidence. It soars. It

Since early 1994, this anthro-

ber — 4.000. Twelve times in the past 13 months, the Dow has broken through 3,900, but

On Thursday, the Dow reached 3,987.52, a record, and 4,000 may be broken as early as this week. Many investors will be thrilled, but they should restrain themselves. There are important reasons to worry about the state of the stock market.

flirting with a particular num- lated to the economy and the He looks, for example, at the prospects for U.S. businesses. Other reasons are technical and has broken through 3,900, but involved with the numbers that each time it has turned back before reaching the new millenthem market itself.

York Stock Exchange. The cumulative A/D line, as it's called, peaked on Feb. 2 of last

The Dow, of course, is such a number. But it is only one technical indicator, and a pretty poor one at that. "The Dow is not the market. It's just 30 stocks," said Dan Sullivan, editor of a market newsletter.

It is the Dow's shaky founda- real power behind the advance.

Some of those reasons are re- tion that troubles Mr. Sullivan, running total of advancing and declining slocks on the New year, a few days after the Dow peaked. Now, the Dow is back above its high of a year ago, but

the A/D lags far, far behind. He also noted that few stocks were hitting new highs even as the market moved to records, an indication that there is no

### **CURRENCY RATES**

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### Thermore: More Than Fluff and Air

By James Hansen Special to the Herald Tribune

MILAN - Is it possible to successfully brand a product that no consumer can see and is 96 percent air? Thermore SpA, near Como, has done

just that. This mini-multinational company directly employs just 14 people and has only one product - but that product sells.

the technologies it supplies — manufac-tures the polyester batting used to provide thermal insulation in ski jackets and cold-weather sports gear.

The company's clients include such names as Eddie Bauer, Patagonia, Head and Sierra Design in the United States; Fila, Nordica and Colmar in Europe, Sunice in Canada and Phoenix in Japan. Reusch, in Germany, uses the company's product to keep the hands of soccer goalkeepers warm in its line of specialty sporting goods.
This company accounts for the stuff-

ing in as many as 16 million ski jackets each year - and most of these carry the Thermore labels as well as the manufac-

Thermore's owner, Lucio Siniscalchi, declined to disclose profit figures, but said worldwide sales of Thermore insulaof con easily top \$20 million annually and that the company kept from 6 percent to lo percent as net profit.

and even general management will be handled by external consultants.

Mr. Siniscalchi said be was not Thermore, a small business in every

way except for the scale of its operations,

is now planning to produce directly. A plant to manufacture up to 50,000 square meters of Thermore insulation daily will soon be built next to the company's headquarters in northern Italy.

The company's first reaction to its successful product was not to expand its work force and build plants, but rather to let others do the heavy work. Production around the world was handled through a web of joint ventures and technology licensing arrangements, which include Hobbs Bonded Fibers, Du

companies in Bangkok, Korea and Ban-The planned antomated plant is intended to cut out a range of outside suppliers who now handle the different manufacturing stages. It will employ about 100 people at full capacity and will supply Thermore's European clients.

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"In this case, we will be our own partners," Mr. Siniscalchi said. He said he was not worried about the prospect of seeing the size of his work force soar. Once again, the operation is structured in such a way as to farm out every possible corporate function to outside contractors. Personnel, payroll, finance

Mr. Siniscalchi said be was not alarmed by the sudden change of scale, one which will in practice change Ther-more from a technology company to a manufacturer. "I don't see why it should be any more difficult to direct 100 people rather than 10," he said. "After all, 1 don't have time to talk to t0 either.

The product that makes all this possible is a white and fluffy substance that is combination of spectacular technologies.

The most remarkable of its properties is its sensitivity to heat and cold. Ther-more reacts to low temperatures by varying the conformation of the fibers of which it is composed to increase insulat-

As temperatures rise, the material varies its density to allow greater cooling.
The product has been "tuned" to keep the buman body as close as possible to the normal body temperature of 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit (37 degrees Celsius). Mr. Siniscalchi began exploring the

effects of resin treatment on fine-grain polyester batting in the mid-1970s, looking for a solution to another problem with insulated ski wear. In the mid-1980s, Thermore found a

way to manipulate the characteristics of the resin binder to make the fiber layer thermo-sensiove, opening a new market for high-performance cold weather wear.

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By Margot Slade

NEW YORK -Looking for an excuse? Relax. In a burst of innovation, imagination and, yes, desperation, American business has devised a collection of cop-outs to suit the harried executive who is performance impaired.

Just try these "explanations" for recent foul-ups on for size:

 A missing minus sign is bow Fidelity investments explained a S2 hillion-plus mistake in calculating Magellan Fund shareholds. shareholder payments, saying an accountant omitted the minus from a spread sheet and no one noticed.

• Intel Corp., explaining to millions of owners of Pentium-equipped computers why it was not recalling and replacing the defective chip, said the device only rarely goofed at long division. (The company ultimately agreed to replace, but not recall, the chip, after howls of protest.)

 Among a long list of hig-money losers in the derivatives debacle, hine-chip companies such as Gibson Greetings Inc. and Marion Merrell Dow Inc. are explaining their misfortune by saying they are finan-

Don't worry if nothing fits. By all accounts, the market for excuses - good, bad and ridiculous - is growing, a veritable botbed of corporate ereativity. Scarcely a day goes by without a statement from a captain of industry or mover of money that tnes to distance the person in charge - or even the one with the smoking gun - from the latest bottom-line disaster.

To be sure, excuses are a familiar fixture on the American business scene. Just look

The EOE index fell 4.59

Philips jumped to 56.50 guil-

Royal Dutch/Shell fell 2.30

guilders, to 191.50 guilders. Un-

ilever fell 1.30 guilders, to

The stock market declined,

held back by the dollar's weak-

ness, the feebleness of some

other European currencies and

the threat of a metalworkers'

points, down 0.6 percent from a

The 30-share DAX index ended the week at 2,117.03

Threats of strikes in the Ger-

man metals sector this week hit

industrials. Daimler-Benz fell

10.5 DM, to 724.80 DM, BMW

lost 10 DM, to 767.00 DM, and Volkswagen fell 4.1 DM, to 413.90 DM.

dex to 8,043.01 points from

Brokers said sentiment re-

mained cautious, with most in-

vestors staying out of the mar-

ket during the Chinese-U.S.

trade talks on copyright piracy

A schedulo of this week's economic and financial events, compiled for the Interna-

Pels. 20 Sure, Fiji Austrelian Fi-nance Minister Kim Beazley attends two-day meeting of South Pacific finance min-lators.

rappe tari, moustree productor and export order data. Earnings expected Cartex Australia. e Pets. 2:1 Hong Kong International Business Communications USA to hold a conference on structuring, marketing and distributing mutual funds in Asia. Hong Kong January consumer price index.

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Peb. 22 Sydney Australian Bureau
 Statistics reports company profits for
the fourth quarter.

are rounth quarter.

Tokyo Cray Research inc. unwells new
Triton model computer.

Camberra Bob Gregory, member of the
Reserve Bank of Australia board, to address Netional Press Club.

Tokyo Bank of Japan Governor Yasuo
Matsushita to give press conference.

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Takye Edosawa and Chimura Shigyo to
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exchange. Earnings expected Fairtax, Fletcher Challenge Ltd., Matsushita Electric Indus-trial Co., Normandy Poseidon, Pasminoo Ltd., Proneer International Ltd., Poseidon

port on corporate investment.
Sydney December housing finance.
Sydney December leading index.
Tokyo Assistant U.S. Trade Representative Ira Wolf and Japanese Foreign Ministry Deputy Director for General Affaira Hiroyasu Ando begin two days of talks on deregulating Japan's market.
Tokyo January oil immuni services

• Feb. 23 Sydney Fourth-

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**WORLD STOCKS IN REVIEW** 

points to 410.95, following pressures and the pound's slump

weakness other European to its lowest level in nearly two

London

Fears of renewed inflationary

The Financial Times-Stock

Exchange 100 index fell to

3,044.2 at the Friday close,

Electricity companies rose on

down 65.7 points, or 2.1 per-

the government's approval for

the Trafalgar House bid for

Northern Electric, fueling specu-

lation of other bids in the sector.

Northern Electric soared 192

pence to 1,172, while Yorkshire

Electric was up 55 pence, to 874, and Norweb 25 pence to 839.

Shares fell last week, hit by

Dealers said investors were

cautious because of the uncertainty persisting over the mini-budget due to be presented to

Parliament and the resistance it

might encounter. Shares in Banca Di Roma fell

The CAC-40 index fell 2.5 percent, to 1,822.47 points and

1.1 percent below its start-of-

Estaloge expected Seabil (NZ) Ltd.,

Wrightson Ltd.

• Felb. 24 Camberra Japanese Ambassador Kazutoshi Hasegawa to inaugurate Australia-Iapan Relations Symposium. Other speakers include Yoh Kurosawa, president of the Industrial Benix of Japan, and Australian Foreign Attains Minister Gereth Evans.

Hong Kong December retail sales.

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Hong Kong December retail sales.

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Wellington January oversees trade figures. Forecast: Surplus of 100 million Now Zealand dollars.

ducer price Index. Forecast: Up 2.7 per-

Copenhages January consumer price index, Forecast: Up 0.1 percent in month and up 2.3 percent in year.
London January M-4. Forecast: Up 0.4

percent in month and up 4.5 percent in

year.
London Jenuery building societies net
new commitments. Forecest; £2.2 billion.
Home December industrial production.
Forecest; Up 7.1 percent;
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Frankfurt February cost-of-fiving figures. Forecast: up 0.2 percewnt in month

and up 2.2 percent in year.
Frankfurt December trade balance.
Forecast 7.7 billion Deutsche-mark sur-

Frankturt December current account. Forecast: 2.3 billion Old deficit.

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This prestigious conference will assess the

new developments in France following the

Presidential elections. Key members of the

new government will be featured in addition

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Bruscels Euro Isters' meeting.

l'Agricoltura ended at 2.750.

Hong Kong

Stock prices rose last week, sending the key Hang Seng in
Sending the key Hang Seng in
Shares in Banca Di Roma fell at the end of the week to 1,620 lire, while Banca Nazionale del
Agricoltura ended at 2,750.

In the debate on monetary union has heated up in Germany.

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worries over the durability of

the new Italian government, with the Mibtel index down 325

points at 10,507.

year levels.

The Week Ahead: World Economic Calendar, Feb. 20 - 24

Hongkong Bank slipped to Uncertainty in French poli-end at 80.00 Hong Kong dollars. tics three months before presi-

years hit shares last week.

at William Agee, late of Bendix and now Morrison Knudsen Corp., whose explana-tions for management missteps over a 30year career must be legend among a select but growing boardroom crowd.

But students of blame say the corporate environment has changed, making excuses now a preferred mode of operation. Paradoxically, the change resulted from an effort to make executives more accountable

for their actions, not less.

There's been a chipping away at the business judgment rule, which states that just because a management decision turns out badly does not make it subject to litigation or regulation," said Clifford W. Smith Jr., the Clarey Professor of Finance at the University of Rocbester's Simon School of Business Administration.

The purpose of the rule, Mr. Smith said, was to free management to make decisions without being subjected to the crippling effects of Monday-morning quarterback-

But it has also been used to shield executives from valid criticism. "To the extent that plaintiffs' lawyers, the Securities and Exchange Commission or others say they'll scrutinize a company when things go badly and go after its managers with a class action or regulatory club." he said, "the

market for excuses will grow."
Fueling that growth is the increased use of consultants, what many executives bluntly describe as expensive but convenient scapegoats.

"My friends who work for Fortune 100 corporations say that whenever questioned, a corporate type can say, 'But that's what the consultants told us to do," said Sarah A. B. Teslik, the executive director of the Council of Institutional In-

dential elections increased the

Singapore

essure on the French markets.

Share prices rose sharply last

week, with sentiment under-

pinned by strong gains on Wall

Street and renewed buying in-

The key Straits Times Industrials index advanced 63.08 points, to 2,137,13, while the broader-based SES All-Singa-

pore index eased 0.87 points to

Top gainer was Development

terest in Malaysian stocks.

tion's largest pension funds.

And with more top and middle manage ment coming from a kind of no-fault "Not Me Generation," that is precisely what contemporary corporate types are likely to say, according to Jeffrey Sonnenfeld, the director of the Center for Leadership and Career Studies at Emory Business School.

"They are children of the '50s - conformists, not mavericks or creators, said. "As a general rule, they want to duck responsibility, not embrace it."

The not-me attitude, which often translates into a blame-others approach, may indeed get an executive off the hook, for a while. But it could prove damaging to the executive's company and eventually the economy, experts say, since the problem in question may wind up being ignored or buried until it recurs or gets worse.

Analysts say that in today's competitive economy, husiness leaders are so erroraverse that they offer euphemistic excuses for plant closings or sluggish sales when unvarnished truth will do. They know, for example, that on Wall Street "restructur-ing means never having to say you're sor-ry," said Jerry Sterner, a businessman turned-playwright who wrote the Off-Broadway success "Other People's

"Just talk about restructuring as positive and investors will buy it," Mr. Sterner said. "It's really an admission of failure: We're closing this operation and firing these peo-ple so that we can stay in business. But we ain't paying the price. The employees, the community — they pay the price. Mcan-while, the executives' salaries go up and

their benefits increase because they are making the hard decisions."

Zurich

Bank of Singapore, which Holding down 15 to 522. UBS gained 1 dollar, to 13.90 dollars. was unchanged at 1,030.

Waigel Skeptical on Union

BONN - Germany's finance minister, Theo Waigel, said

Sunday that it did not look as if a single European currency could be introduced in 1997, the earliest date envisaged for monetary union in the Maastricht Treaty.

Mr. Waigel said in a radio interview that recent pressure,

especially in France, to speed up progress toward a single currency did not alter the fact that strict economic convergence criteria had

that might undermine the Deutsche mark.

suffered between the two world wars.

bers failed to fulfill the criteria by 1997.

1.5 percent in year.
Paris December industrial prod-

Paris December manufacturing produc-tion. Forecast: Up 0.5 percent.

Rome February urban consumer price index. Forecast: Up 0.4 percent in month and up 3.9 percent in year.

Stockholm Jenuary consumer price in-dex. Forecast: Up 1.1 percent in month

and up 3.2 percent in year. Stockholm December industrial pro-duction. Forecast: Up 15.7 percent in

year. Earninge expected NatWest Bank, Poly-Gram NV, Svenska Handelsbanken, Unit-

Fels. 22 Ameterdam December In-dustrial production. Forecast: Up 7.4 per-

dustriat production. Forecast: Up 7.4 per-cant in year.
Londos, Final fourth-quarter gross do-mestic product figures.
Paris January household consumption.
Forecast: Up 0.4 percent.

Porte December trade belance. Fore-cast 6.5 billion-trane surplus. Stockholm November current account. Forecast 1 billion kronor. Earnings expected Astra, Alias Copoo, Jyste Bank, Philips Electronics NV, Stra-bag AG.

• Feb. 23 London Merio Monti, EU

single market commissioner, speaks about the impact of a single currency on financial markets. Madrid Dec. Industrial production.

Postage: Up 7.5 percent in year.
Peak 24 Brussels Ministers from the
Group of Seven states and officials from
the telecommunications industry most
through Peb. 26 to discuss the impact of

new tachnology on the world economy and work habits.

Copanhagen January wholesels prices. Loadon January balance of trade with countries cutside the EU. Forecast: £800

nand up 1,6 percent in year.

Parts Fourth-quarter gross domestic product. Forecast: Up 0.5 percent.

Earnings expected. Euro Disney, Investor, SmithKine Beacham, Union Bank of Switzefand.

January final consumer price in-Forecast: Up 0.2 percent in month

Forecast: Up 0.4 percent.

and up 3.2 pero

"Germany will not agree to a slackening of the criteria," a

Chancellor Helmut Kohl said Sunday that currency stability

The introduction of a single currency would automatically be

Americas

e Feb. 20 United States Presidents' Day holiday. The American Stock Ex-change, the Nasdaq Stock Merket and the

New York Stock Exchange are closed.

Feb. 21 Orlando, Florida Walt Dis-ney Co. will hold its annual meeting and elect four directors.
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service releases its weekly survey of same-store sales at more than 20 depart-ment, discount and chain stores.

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his semiannual monetary policy report to
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Advisory Commission meets.
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Washington The Mortgage Bankers Association of America releases its weekly report on mortgage applications.
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• Feb. 23 Washington, January house

ing starts and building parnits.
Philadelphia The Philadelphia Federal
Receive releases its January survey of
economic activity.

was essential to combat the sort of hyperinflation that Germany

postponed until 1999 if less than half of European Union mem-

The biggest loser was Jurong

Engineering, which fell 50 cents, to 9.50 dollars.

market last week. The Swiss

Performance Index fell 18.97

while pharmaceuticals rose.

Swiss francs, to 366, and CS

# vestors, an organization of 100 of the nation's largest pension funds. Deal With China

NAGOYA, Japan - The president of Toyota Motor Corp., Taisuro Toyoda, re-turned to Japan from China on Sunday without a deal to make car engines with China's biggest car maker, Shanghai Automo-bile Industry General Corp.

Mr. Toyoda's empty-handed return could ease tension be-tween the United States and China, which are embroiled in a trade dispute over Chinese textile exports and American intellectual property rights, a Toyota source said, asking not to be identified.

"We were welcomed at Shanghai Automobile. But there was no decision on the engine plant joint venture or any indication when a decision might be made." Mr. Toyoda said.

With the engine deal eluding him, Mr. Toyoda used the five-day trip to strengthen ties between Japan's higgest carmaker and local firms.

The Toyota source said lack of success on the engine deal should please the U.S. carmak-ers Ford Motor Co. and General Motors Corp. because both are also bidding for the Shanghai Automobile deal.

### CAPITAL: The Perils of Mobility

Continued from Page 1

aries. The size and duration of these deposits would vary according to market conditions.

But like the proposal made by James Tobin, a winner of the Nobel Prize in economics, to impose a small tax on all foreign exchange transactions, the idea has been rejected as too burdensome, unworkable with too many loopboles and likely to drive business to unregulated tax havens.

"lt's not unworkable," snapped a U.S. financial consultant, "If you impose the requirements on the institutions and not on the markets, it doesn't matter whether the business is conducted by Citibank in London or in the Cayman Islands."

As for developing countries, Mr. Wyplosz advised that they "hold off liberalizing capital movements until they have properly functioning markets capable of coping with the mobility of capital."

That freedom to move money without restriction - conditions similar to those before this century's two world wars helped drive down the dollar

"The dollar is at a precipice of a crisis of confidence," asserts Paul Chertkow, Londonbased analyst at Union Bank of Switzerland. Unless there is concerted intervention by the United States, Germany and Japan, be sees the dollar sliding to 1.4650 Deutsche marks and 96.50 yen.

### The dollar's weakness against the mark depressed the Zurich AGENCY: Virtual Advertising

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points, to 1,697.64, a fall of 1.1 at the time, approached Hallson about producing a Europe-A dealer said the market was an print campaign shortly after hit primarily by the dollar's fall. the Singapore-based company Cyclical sbares were down, had expanded into several European markets. Banks fell, with SBS down 17

Mr. Hallberg sent the assign-ment by E-mail to an advertising ereative team he had worked with in Los Angeles. While copy was being written in English, Mr. Hallberg was working on-line with a translation company in Brussels to prepare German and French ersions. At the same time, Mr. Hallberg and International Co-Productions were working online to physically combine the advertising artwork and copy.

Except for several face-toface meetings, Mr. Hallberg used E-mail to manage almost the entire project.

"A traditional agency could earn 17.65 percent commission The debate on monetary union has heated up in Germany in the for the production and 15 perpast week, with both the center-right government coalition and the opposition Social Democrats warning against hasty moves for the job," Mr. Hallberg said. 'I did it for \$32,657 - less than

Mr. Holtzman said, "It cost significantly less than a big pan-European agency would have charged with as good if not bet-

Mr. Hallberg said the way agencies worked now was how film studios worked years ago. "Stars, studio, screenwriters, everything under one roof," he said. "Well, the problem in advertising, as Hollywood discovered, is the roof is too expensive today. With the Internet, I can put a project together using top talent anywhere in the world. People come together only as long as needed. And the client

video games on their computers."

While Hallson might be on the cutting edge of interactive technology, large ad agency groups may find it more difficult to implement such systems. Some, such as Ogilvy & Mather, are in the process of installing worldwide E-mail networks. "But it's much harder and costber to make it work for 3,000 people than it is for 30," said Ray Roel, worldwide communi-cation director for O&M Direct

New York. At the same time, advertisers must have the same view of technology to allow for these "anytime, anywhere collabora-tive possibilities," said Andrew Frank, a parmer in O&M Direct New York's Interactive Marketing Group.

Mr. Hallberg said large advertisers in particular would be nervous about considering Hallson, despite the potential financial rewards.

"It's a nontraditional setup, so there's a comfort level missing for many marketers," be said. Philip Byford said some clients thought a full-service agency with someone on the ground to look after their local needs was more important than saving money. "They want the resource, the critical mass, even if they don't use it," he said. "It's a perception more than re-

One O&M executve said that maintaining a vibrant creative product and office energy can only come from personal interaction.

"There are those who feel that E-mail is no substitute for face to face pressing the flesh," the executive said. Cyberscape address: CyberScadoesn't pay for agency cars or Cyberscape address: Cypeople sitting around playing pe@iht-lib.demon.co.uk

### **SHORT COVER**

Two Indian Carriers Weigh Merger

NEW DELHI (AFP) - Air India and Indian Airlines should merge to compete in the country's expanding aviation market, but they should continue to be state-owned, said Russi Mody, their

chairman, on Sunday.

He told the Press Trust of India that he foresaw the merger in two to three years because a single airline would be more efficient and better placed to be a major player.

But Mr. Mody, who took over the two airlines in November, said be had no plans to privatize Air India, the country's flag carrier, or Indian Airlines, which operates mainly on domestic

### Exports Buoy Profit at Saudi Basic

RIYADH (Bloomberg) — Rising exports and cost cuts helped Saudi Basic Industries Corp. to nearly double its profit in 1994, to 4 billion riyals (\$1 billion).

Total production for the company, which is the largest producer of petrochemicals in the Middle East, rose 35 percent in 1994, to

NBC Drops Complaints Against Fox

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — NBC said it dropped its foreign ownership complaint against Fox Broadcasting Co., ending a bitter dispute between the two television networks.

NBC, a unit of General Electric Co., complained to the Federal Communications Commission that Fox's ownership structure violated laws barring foreigners from owning more than 25 percent of a U.S. television station. Fox is controlled by Rupert

Murdoch's News Corp., which is hased in Sydney, Australia.

NBC said it dropped the complaint because it wanted to resume a normal business relationship with Fox. Robert Wright, NBC's president and chief executive, said the Federal Communications Commission agreed to look into the ownership issues and therefore its complaint was no longer necessary.

### McDonnell Douglas Courts Vietnam

HANOI (AP) — McDonnell Douglas Corp. has sweetened its les pitch to Vietnam hy offering 100 percent financing for any

airplanes the country may buy, according to reports.

John M. Douglas, the company's general director, made the offer in a meeting with Prime Minister Vo Van Kiet, the Communist Party daily Nhan Dan reported Saturday. The company also said it would also train pilots and build installations for servicing. McDonnell Douglas is one of three aviation companies eager to sell aircraft in Vietnam. Representatives of it two higgest rivals.

Boeing Co. and Airbus Industrie, a European consortium, bave made several trips to Hanoi in the past few years to press the case

Forged Dollars Traced in Hong Kong

HONG KONG (AFP) — Hong Kong is being flooded by forged \$100 bills that might be the work of North Koreans in Macao, a Hong Kong newspaper said Sunday.
The Hongkong Standard said \$250,000 worth of the bogus

notes had surfaced at local banks since \$100,000 of the bills were discovered eight months ago.

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Kerry Kittles scored a career-high 37 points and No. 15 Villanova sent Connectcut to a resounding 96-73 defeat Saturday

in the Huskies' first home game as the top-ranked U.S. college basketball team. The Wildcats (19-5, 12-2 Big East) extended the team's winning streak to 11 games and threw themselves into the race for the Big East title. They trail the Huskies by one game and each has four re-

maining. They also ended UCONN's 18-game regular-season winning streak, a conference record, and handed the Huskies (20-2, 13-1) their first home loss in 27 games.

No. 4 Kentucky, 87, Florida 77: In Lexington, Kentucky, Rodrick Rhodes scored 23 points, Tony Delk had 19 and a seldomused guard, Chris Harrison, came off the bench to hit three 3-pointers to spark Kentucky. Florida got a career-high 30 points from Dan Cross.

No. 3 Kansas 78, Kansas State 67: In Manhattan, Kansas, Jerod Haase scored 21 points and Kansas, making full use of a big beight advantage, turned back a Kansas State rally for its 12th straight home victory. Kansas State lost its fifth straight but not before giving the Jayhawks a scare.

Oklahoma 94, No. 9 Missouri 89: In Norman, Oklahoma, Ryan Minor scored 11 of his 32 points during a crucial second-half run for Oklahoma. The Sooners ran their record to 13-0 at home. Missouri only led once and was hampered by foul trouble four players fouled out. Overall, there were 55 fouls called and \$1 free throws.

No. 10 Arkansas 85, Mississippi 70; In Fayetteville, Arkansas, Corliss Williamson made seven free throws and Scotty Thurman hit two 3-pointers during a 13-0 run that helped Arkansas win. Seton Hall 82, No. 11 Syracuse 74: In

East Rutherford, New Jersey, Seton Hall put itself back in the NCAA tournament picture and spoiled a record-setting day by Syracuse's Lawrence Moten. The victory

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was the first against a ranked team for Seton Hall and only its fourth in 31 conference games against Syracuse.

No. 13 Arizona St. 74, USC 70: In Los Angeles, Isaac Burton scored 15 of his 20 points in the second half and Arizona State held off a late rally. Mario Bennett added 14 points and Ron Riley 13 for the Sun Devils who sent USC to its ninth consecutive defeat. Stais Boseman led the Trojans

with 20 points. No. 14 Wake Forest 73, No. 20 Georgia Tech 62: In Winston-Salem, North Carolina. Randolph Childress, kept off the scoreboard for 24 minutes, helped ignite a 12-0 second-aif run as the Demon Deacons beat

the Yellow Jackets.
No. 18 Alabama 86, Auburn 73: In Auburn, Alabama, Jason Caffey scored 20 points and Eric Washington added 18 on timely 3-point shooting as Alabama won more convincingly this time after barely escaping with a 2-point victory over the

Tigers earlier this month.
No. 21 Iown St. 108, Colorado 68: In Ames, Iowa, Fred Hoiberg scored a career-

high 41 points, the most by an lowa State player in more than seven years, and the Cyclones shot 66 percent, lowa State won by its biggest margin ever in a conference game in a complete turnaround from its first meeting with Colorado. In that game, the Cyclones had 31 turnovers and lost, 71-

No. 22 Okłahoma St. 93, Nebraska 53: In Stillwater, Oklahoma, Randy Ruther-ford scored 22 points and Oklahoma State held Nebraska without an inside point for the first 29 minutes. The seven-foot center, Bryant Reeves, added 20 points for the Cowboys. The Cornhuskers shot just 33 percent and didn't score inside until late in the third quarter.

No. 23 Mississippi State 60, Tennessee 52: At Knoxville, Tennessee Darryl Witson scored 17 points and Mississippi State started the second half with a 12-2 run. The Bulldogs also got 14 points from Mar-cus Grant, 12 from Marcus Bullard and 11 from Erick Dampier.

No. 24 Minnesota 66, No. 8 Michigan State 57: In Minneapolis, Voshon Lenard broke out of a shooting slump to score 17 points and the Gophers shut down the Spartans, avenging a 54-53 loss last month to Michigan State despite being hubbled

No. 25 Purdue 94, Northwestern 57: In West Lafayette, Indiana, Cuonzo Martin scored 25 points and set a school career record for 3-pointers. The Boilermakers moved to within a half-game of first-place Michigan State by defeating the Wildcats for the 23rd time in 24 games.



Toronto goalie Felix Potvin keeps his eye on the puck as Kenny Jonsson, left, and the Blues' Glenn Anderson collide.

1) for the Eastern Conference lead and the

Islanders 3, Devils 2: In Uniondale, New

York, Troy Loney and Patrick Flatley

scored power-play goals 28 seconds apart

late in the second period as the New York

Tommy Soderstrom stopped 29 shots,

Lightning 3, Bruins 1: In St. Petersburg.

Florida, Roman Hamrlik and Jim Cum-

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mins scored during a 13-second span of the third period as Tampa Bay snapped a

three-game losing streak with a victory

Hamrlik beat Boston's goaltender,

Vince Riendeau, on a slap shot from the

right point with the Lightning on a power

play that tied the score at 1-1 at 4:30, and

Cummins slid a backhand into the lower

right corner at 4:43 to give Tampa Bay the

lead. Rob Zamuner added an empty-net

goal at 19:44 to produce the final margin.

rookie defenseman Kenny Jonsson scored

Maple Leafs 3, Blues 1: In Toronto,

Islanders beat the New Jersey Devils.

winning his first game this season.

### Whalers Stop Penguins' Bid for Best Start

best record in the NHL.

HARTFORD, Connecticut - Robert Kron scored twice, including a key goal late in the game, as the Hartford Whalers beat Pittsburgh, 4-2, ending the Penguins' bid for the best start in National Hockey

League history. Kron, who opened the scoring Saturday in the first period, took a forwarding pass from Darren Turcotte in the third period and skated to the top of the left circle. There, he fired a shot in stride and beat goalie Ken Wregget at 16:54.

The goal was important for Hartford, which had seen a two-goal lead cut to 3-2 when Shawn McEachern scored for Pitts-

burgh at 6:36 into the third. The loss was the first for Wregger and the Penguins, who dropped to 12-1-1, leaving them two games short of tying the best

NHL start held by Edmonton, which started 12-0-3 in the 1984-85 season. Capitals 4, Nordiques 2: In Landover, Maryland, Craig Berube and Steve Jones scored 32 seconds apart in the third period as Washington beat Quebec, denying the Nordiques a chance to record a franchise-

record eighth straight victory. Quebec entered the game on a sevengame winning streak, matching a franchise record accomplished three times, most recently during the 1985-86 season. The loss cost the Nordiques a chance to tie a team record of five consecutive road victories.

The Nordiques (12-2-0) also missed an

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opportunity to overtake Pittsburgh (12-1-

his first goal in his best game in the NHL as Toronto beat St. Louis.

over Boston.

Brett Hull's power-play goal with 5:15 remaining spoiled the shutout bid of St. Louis's goaltender, Felix Potvin.

Canadiens 5, Rangers 2: In Montreal,

The victory kept the Canadiens undefeated at home this season (4-0-2) and evened their record at 5-5-4.

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Kirk Muller, Patrice Brisebois and Mark Lamb also scored for the Canadiens, who tied the Rangers 2-2 in New York on Thursday night, Adam Graves and Darren Langdon scored for the Rangers (6-7-2).

Canneks 6, Kings 2: In Inglewood, California, Jeff Brown fueled Vancouver's power play with a goal and three assists as the Canucks beat Los Angeles and spoiled the debut of the Kings' goaltender Grant

Geoff Courtnall scored twice with the man advantage, and Trevor Linden also had two goals, one on the power play, to help the defending Western Conference champions win for only the third time in 13 games and the ninth time in their last 10 meetings with Los Angeles.
Mighty Ducks 6, Sharks 3: In San Jose,

California, Todd Krygier's two secondperiod goals and shutout goaltending from Guy Hebert, a substitute, lifted Anaheim to victory over San Jose.

The Mighty Ducks (5-8-1) had entered the game tied for last place in the Pacific Division, while the Sharks (7-5-2) began the game in undisputed possession of first. Flames 3, Stars 2: In Calgary, Alberta, Theoren Fleury scored with 26 seconds left in overtime to lift Calgary over Dallas.

Fleury's goal lifted the Flames (7-5-2) Mark Recchi scored two power-play goals to lead Montreal to victory over New York. Sharks in the NHL's Pacific Division. into a first-place tie with the San Jose

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### Hornets Hit 62 Percent to Crush Pistons

CHARLOTTE, North Carolina -Larry Johnson's 29 points on 11-for-14 shooting helped the Charlotte Hornets hit a season-high 62 percent from the field and beat visiting Detroit, 110-88.

The Hornets broke away to a 13-3 lead in the first six minutes as the Pistons missed 11 of 12 from the field en route to

39 percent shooting for the game Saturday. Muggsy Bogues added 14 points on 7for-8 shooting and 11 assists as the Hornets ended a two-game losing streak and maintained their half-game Central Division lead over Cleveland.

76ers 95, Nuggets 89: In Philadelphia, Dana Barros scored 24 points as the 76ers snapped a four-game losing streak by defeating Denver. The Nuggets, who lost their fifth straight game, tied the score three times in the fourth quarter, but were never able to take the lead. Denver's Rodney Rogers tied the game 87-87 with 2:09 left, but the 76ers outscored the Nuggets 9-2 the rest of the way.

Cavaliers 82, Nets 75: In East Rutherford, New Jersey, Chris Mills scored 23 points and Cleveland limited New Jersey and rookie Glenn Robinson had 26 points ty.

to 25 second-half points. The Cavaliers, and a career-high 17 rebounds for Milwauthe NBA's best defensive team, won the kee against Chicago. Eric Murdock added game by bolding the Nets scoreless for 4:33 down the stretch.

Jazz 108, Celtics 98: In Salt Lake City, John Stockton became the first player in NBA history to reach 10,000 assists when Utah defeated Boston. Stockton, who bad

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15 assists for the game and is on pace to lead the NBA in assists for the eighth consecutive season, reached the milestone with 3:41 left in the second quarter when he passed to Karl Malone for a layup. Stockton broke Magic Johnson's NBA record of 9,921 on Feb. 1.

Spurs 111, Hawks 97: In San Antonio, Vinny Del Negro scored a career-high 31 points, boosting San Antonio to victory over Atlanta, snapping the Hawks' fourgame winning streak. David Robinson had 24 points and 14 rebounds for the Spurs despite sitting out the fourth quarter, and Sean Elliott got 16 points for San Antonio. Bucks 118, Bulls 111: In Milwaukee, Vin Baker tied his season high with 27 points

a season-high 25 points and 10 assists for the Bucks. Milwaukee grabbed its biggest lead of the game, 99-82, after opening the fourth quarter with a 15-10 run. Tom Kukoc scored 13 of his 27 points in the final quarter as the Bulls tried to rally, but never got closer than five points.

SuperSonics 129, Warriors 117: In Oakland, California, Detlef Schrempf scored 17 of his 31 points in a decisive fourth quarter, leading Seattle past Golden State. The Sonics have won five straight and 11 of 13 meetings against the Warriors, who have not put together back-to-back wins since Dec. 22 and 27. Leading 94-92 early in the fourth quarter, the Sonics scored nine straight points in a span of 1:10 to take control

Kings 109, Chippers 92; In Sacramento, California, Mitch Richmond scored 25 points as Sacramento defeated Los Angeles. The Kings needed just 48 games to reach 28 victories, their total in 1993-94. They have not won 30 games since the 1985-86 season, an NBA record for futili-

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### **SPORTS**

# Scotland Embarrasses France, 23-21, as England Bulldozes Wales

By Ian Thomsen International Herald Tribune

PARIS - "Now, we'l! have some fun," announced the Saturday morning front page of L'Equipe, the French sports daily, as if rugby against Scotland would be played perhaps with an easel and a brush. The French had their vision of winning the World Cup in the most brilliant and vivid colors four months from now. But then Gavin Hastings came through bowling over the easels, the brushes snapping underfoot.

Scotland had never won in the Parc des Princes until Saturday, and not in Paris since 1969, when Hastings was 7. Scotland won Saturday dramatically, outrageously, hy 23-21, and the predominant color was the dull gray in Gavin Hastings's

The French captain, Philippe Saint-André, thought about it later first 20 minutes, the French could be

"They dominated us mentally and physically," he said.

While France floundered, England flourished in the rain in Car-diff, methodically overcoming Wales, 23-9.

Just three minutes into the Paris

match, Saint-Andre was chasing down Thierry Lacroix's kick for a 5-0 lead that seemed to put the French back on the swerving, daring path. They couldn't recover their 31-10 defeat at England two weeks earlier, hut they aimed to rebuild confidence, and so a simple victory of any kind wouldn't be enough against Scotland. The entire humbled team had been invited back for another chance by coach Pierre Berbizier,

Quickly, then, as they twice more dashed inside the visitors' half in the

and they were expected to flourish.

hawed as a teammate waited with the other end. the goal line disappearing from sight; it was preceded by a Saint-André fumble, an echo of the England match when France lost possession 26 times (the equivalent of one turnover for every minute the ball

Hastings cannot afford to dither. At 33, in his final season, every day on the field is a struggle for him.
Until its recent beating of Canada.
Until its recent beating of Canada. Scotland had gone 18 months and nine games without a victory, and Captain Hastings had taken the brunt of it. From those depths the Scots amazingly find themselves 2-0 in the Five Nations Championship, with a home match against Wales positioning them to visit England (3-0) March 18 for the Grand Slam.

The transmogrification seemed to

The Scots had been playing a safe inside game that by French stan-dards gave the impression of weakness, a fear of daring; but as Hastings came hursting through the middle it turned into the most cer-

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back into his arms for his first international try. Within two minutes France's vision had been turned upside down to 10-5. Another penalty by Hastings, who would finish with 18 points, made it 13-5 at the half. when Deyland was seen arguing with his own scrum-half Guy Accoceberry.

and others; surely he will reconsider Lacroix, who missed two penalties and three conversions. Berhizier complained about the hope lost since last summer's twin victories at New Zealand: "Obviously the All Black jerseys have made everything a hit black in our minds and we can't see very clearly now."

He talked metaphorically about the bad weather raining on France and the outlook for a bright patch arriving in time for the World Cup.

As the match flickered on, the crowd was alternately booing and cheering, caught between the style

At least they were going to win with only two minutes left, though no one seemed especially happy Berbizier later would fault Dey- about it, when Hastings appeared

ducking through the posts as if they were the doorway to the Hotel de Ville - the crowd standing, halfcheering a half-borrified moan. Dryly be converted the go-ahead. A few moments later the game was over. By now the French were cheering the visitors and booing their own.

For England, the third round Saturday was a day to overcome jinxes; the team won only their second victory in Cardiff since 1963.

It was England's third victory of the championship and if Scotland manages to defeat Wales at Murraypromised and the victory slipping field in two weeks, Twickenham will host the grand slam decider on March 18 in an ideal aperitif to the World Cup in South Africa.

England did not reach the heady heights of the 31-10 victory over

and decided, "They were much more simple than we were."

Simple? What does that mean? "They dominated us mentally and physically." he said.

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Rory Underwood emulated his brother Tony, who scored twice against France with a brace of tries, his first at the Arms Park, while the Welsh only once looked like crossing the England line.

Wales did provide spirited opposition in the first half with some clever touches from scrum-half Robert Jones who made one incisive break that could have resulted in a try if captain leuan Evans had held on to the ball.

But when Welsh prop John Davies was sent off for stamping in the 61st minute the game was effectively

"We had the game won before the incident," said the England captain. Will Carling. "It was a great win."

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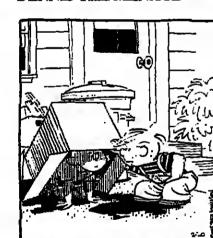
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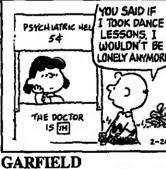
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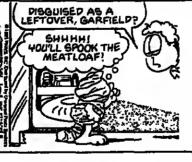




















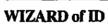


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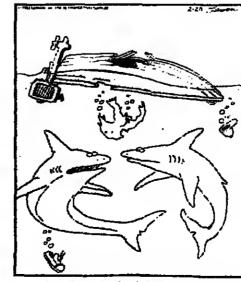






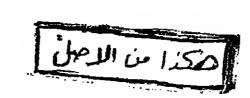


THE FAR SIDE



"I was just going to circle them a couple times and leave — but they started yelling 'shark,' and suddenly I fell very proud





because the visibility was not so

good. It was a tough racing

He said be felt his second run had been too stiff, "hut it was

With Tomba out of the way, Kosir had a chance to close up

points, but the drop hack to fourth in the second run halved

Kosir's potential take and he added only 50 points, going to 620 for the year. The five-time

World Cup overall champion,

Girardelli, another who could

Still, Girardelli can't be

supergiant slalom races, has only three races left. Girardelli

is among the all-rounders who

with Tomba were Finn Chris-

tria, winners of the last two

Tomba, who has won 43

races in a 10-year career but has

after 23 of the 64 men in the

The race was rescheduled for

Matt Grosjean of Steamboat

Grosjean said he had been

aggressively Sunday, "but I didn't have the energy."

Chip Knight of New Canaan,

Connecticut, and Erik Schlopy

of Park City, Utah, did not fin-

Springs, Colorado, was the only

Mooday.

Exiting the first run along

have 11 remaining.

in the overall standings. Tomba remained at 1,050

Herald Eribune

### Tomba's Slalom Streak Ends in Japan

FURANO, Japan - Alberto Tomba's seven-race winning streak in the slalom ended Sunday when he skied off the course during the first run, opening the way for Michael Tritscher of Austria to win his first World Cup race in four

Tritscher completed his two runs in 1 minute and 47.94 se onds, 0.72 seconds ahead of fellow Austrian Mario Reiter.

Ole Kristian Furuseth of Norway was third in 1:48.83, and Jure Kosir of Slovenia, the first-run leader, slipped back to fourth in 1:48.99.

Tomba, hidding for a record eighth slalom victory in as many starts, instead remained in a tie with Sweden's Ingema-Stenmark, who won 7 of 10 slaloms in 1977, and Luxembourg's Marc Girardelli, who won 7 of 10 in 1985.

"After 10 races, they are able to defeat Tomba in the slalom with the course setting," Tomba grumbled. Before Sunday, the Italian superstar had 10 victories in 12 races, the other three coming in giant slaloms.

The tight first-run course, set by German coach Sepp Hanser, was difficult for others as well, with four of the first six racers, including Tomba, failing to reach the finish.

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Tomba went off about seven gates from the finish and complained later about being unable to get into a rhythm. "I am tired," he said. "I don't

understand why I am tired. Perhaps it's psychological."

"Maybe I need a boliday," he

Tritscher enjoyed his victory but said, "It would be even better if Tomba had finished the race. Maybe next time."

Tritscher dedicated his victory to Sweden's Thomas Fogdoe, the 1991 World Cup slalom champion whose career was ended by a skiing accident Feb. 7. Fogdoe was fourth in

ARE, Sweden - Anita

Wachter of Austria won ber

second straight World Cup gi-

ant slalom, beating the defend-

ing overall champion, Vreni

Schneider of Switzerland, by

minutes, I.87 seconds Saturday.

Wachter by almost a second after the first run, turned in the

second fastest windup run of

the day, but it wasn't enough.

She had a total time of 2:02.38.

morning run because of the

and she struggled in the early

races. "But now I'm skiing as well as ever," she said.

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snowy conditions.

**ACROSS** 

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March

The visibility was poor in the

The first run was very good

Schneider, who trailed

Wachter, who took her first course for me."



A disconsolate Alberto Tomba, who skied off the course.

suffered injuries that are ex- turns, Tritscher said. While he pected to leave him paralyzed.

The first run was much more

was trailing slightly going into ish the first run, and Paul Casey
the second run, he said: "I tried Puckett of Crested Butte, Colothe slalom standings when he difficult because of the tight to attack, but I was careful, too, rado, was disqualified.

Wachter Wins 2d Straight Giant Slalom

matter of Switzerland, sixth in 2:03.44. experienced skiers on the World Bachler of Switzerland, fifth ou Cup circuit, clinched her only Saturday, leads Schneider, 410-overall crown during the 1993 389.

World Cup finals in this north-The Olympic champion Deborah Compagnoni of Italy, fifth "This is a special place for me," she said. "I like Are and I like Are and I like Sweden. This is a very good moved to third in 2:02.59.

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This is a special place for after the opening run, clocked the fastest second-run and second with the fastest second-run and like Sweden. This is a very good moved to third in 2:02.59.

giant slalom of the season last month at Cortina d'Ampezzo, Italy, had a combined time of 2

Wachter advanced to third in the giant slalom standings, with Italy, had a combined time of 2

Wachter advanced to third in placed fourth in 2:03.18 followed by Zeller-Baebler, fifth in 2:03.25, and Madlen Summer-

### **World Cup Race Results**

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Relier, Austria, 1:48,44 (57,25-51,11): 3, Ole

Christian Furuseth, Norway, 1:48,51 (56,65
52,21); 4, Jure Kosir, Stovenia, 1:48,91 (56,65
52,91); 5, Sebastian Amiez, Franca, 1:47,94

(58,13-51,71).

4, Marc Girardelli, Lumanboura, 1:58,55

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Wachter switched her brand f skis at the start of the season, and she struggled in the early aces. "But now I'm skiing as cell as ever," she said.

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Germany's Katja Seizinger, who was 17th, retained her overall lead with 893 points. Spela Pretnar of Slovenia States fourth with 605 points. Street won Friday's downhill here, her third World Cup victory of the season.

Heidi Voelker was the top American giant slalom finisher, 20th in 2:05.57. Another American, Eva Twardokens, also finished in the points by placing 25th in 2:06.29.

Krista Schmidinger, the other U.S. entry, was 51st and next to last in the first run and didn't qualify for the second.

Pernilla Wiberg of Sweden, a former Olympic and world grand slalom champion, didn't enter the competition. She cut her right leg after a fall in Fri-day's downhill and needed seven stitches.

Wiberg the Olympic combioed slalom and downhill champion, is expected to compete on the World Cup circuit again oext weekend at Maribor, Slovenia

Plagued by injuries, Steffi Graf had played only two matches in the past five months but has regained her No. 1 ranking.

### Graf Defeats Pierce in Paris Open

By Christopher Clarey
International Herald Tribune

PARIS - The party line in professional tennis is that if you stay away too long, the game begins to pass you by. Take an extended break and you forget how to handle the big points with aplomb. Take a hreak and you lose the precious burnish on your shots that allows you to fall back on instinct under pressure.

On Sunday, Steffi Graf beat Mary Pierce, 6-2, 6-2, in the final of the Paris Open. So much for the party line.

Coming into the tournament, Graf had played precisely two matches in the past five months: both in New York at the Virginia Shims Championships in November. A chronic back problem had kept her out of action for most of last fall; a strained right calf muscle had forced her to pull out of the Australian Open in January.

But though she arrived in Paris feeling edgy and uncertain, her fears quickly melted away in the heat generated by a string of aces, sharply chipped backhands and lung-ing forehand winners. She ended up winning the tournament without missing a beat, dropping a set or, she insists, feeling a

And on Sunday, she saved her best for last, dominating Pierce, the player who has shone most brilliantly in Graf's absence.

dream of this kind of week, but it's sort of spur oo her sacroiliac), Pierce may have to true," said Graf, who, at least temporarily, regained the No. 1 ranking she had relin-quished to Arantza Sánchez Vicario by skipping the Australian. "I came here on Monday and Tuesday still not sure whether I would be able to play the tournament. To come out and beat two top five players and play great tennis. I didn't expect something like this could happen."

Her coach, Heinz Gunthardt, sounded even more pleasantly surprised.

"For me, this was an amazing display." he said. "If somebody else went through what she did, they would come out here and not win a match. It's not because of what we did the last two weeks. It's certainly not because of what we did the last six months. It's because of all the work she's put in the last 10 years and talent, raw talent."

Pierce, the 20-year-old who plays for France but remains more at ease speaking very American English, has plenty of raw talent herself. And last summer when Graf was osteosibly healthy, Pierce was the dominant one, stunning the German star in the semifinals of the French Open by the familiar score of 6-2, 6-2. She beat Graf again in the quarterfinals of the Virginia Slims, and when she swept through the field last month to win her first Grand Slam title at the Australian Open, a changing of the guard appeared imminent.

"It's a bit much to say that I didn't did Sunday (a big "if" in light of the bone will be for as long as I play."

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Steffi was Steffi today, and I was a step too slow," Pierce said. "You have to be 100 percent to beat her, and I wasn't quite 100 Remarkably sharp from the start, Graf

kept Pierce constantly off balance, even in the second set when the exchanges were considerably less one-sided. She served superbly, finishing with 10 aces and nearly that many service winners. From the baseline, she was brutally efficient and nowhere near as error-prone as she had been in Paris last summer.

"I approached this match in a totally different spirit," Graf said. "At the French Open, I felt my tennis was off. I was struggling with my game and my head on court. Today, I was looking forward to the match, I was there all the time, and I think I believed in myself more."

A shy and private person whose gifts led her into one of the most glaringly public of professions, Graf has long been her own toughest critic. But in the months to come, her belief in herself probably will depend less on her shotmaking and more oo her

"Stretching before practice; stretching after practice; ice afterward," she said. But if Graf can continue to play like she "This is new for me, and that's the way it

### With 6-Under 64, Els Wins **PGA** Event in South Africa

JOHANNESBURG - The U.S. Open champion Ernie Els, two shots behind the the ball at the flag." leader overnight, shot a 6-under-par 64 on Sunday to win the \$390,000 South African PGA tournament by two shots.

Els. the South African who first won the title in 1992, had a 72-hole total of 271, 9 under par for the tournament.

With his victory, his second in just four appearances oo the South African tour and his seventh victory around the world in the last 13 months, Els topped the final South African tour Order of Merit with earnings of 460,488 rand (\$129,800). Fellow South African Roger Wessels

matched Els's closing 64 to finish second on 273 while Mark McNulty of Zimbabwe posted a three-under-par 67 to share third place with compatriot Tony Johnstone (67), Warren Schutte (67) of South Africa and Van Phillips of Britain (66) on 274. The overnight leader, Trevor Dodds of Namibia, posted a level-par 70 to finish

seventh on 275. Fis went out in 31, with birdies at the first, fifth, sixth and seventh holes. He

came home in 33, with further birdies at the 11th, 13th, 14th and 17th and dropped shots at the 12th and 15th. After the match, Els said: "I feel great.

The greens were very nice today after the overnight rain and you could really fire Els said, however, that he was still oot

totally happy with his performance.
"The ball is still a little forward in my

stance and my swing is not totally in place at the moment. But I'm going to work oo it over the next couple of days," he said. Wessels, four shots off the pace going

into the final round, collected six birdies, two bogeys and an eagle in his closing 64.

Dodds, the 1990 South African Open champion, dropped down the leaderboard after two bogeys in his outward nine of 35 for a level-par 70 to finish five-under for the tournament.

■ Perry Leads Hope Classic

Kenny Perry shot a 5-under-par 67 on Saturday to regain the lead after four rounds of the Bob Hope Chrysler Classic, and Curtis Strange birdied seven of his last nine holes in a 9-under 63 to pull into a four-way tie for second.

Perry, who was the first-round leader, was at 23-under 265 after 72 holes of proam play. Strange, David Duval, Tommy Tolles and Harry Taylor, the leader after the second and third rounds, were two

strokes back at 21-under 267. The low 70 pros and ties will play the final round Sunday at Bermuda Dunes in Palm Desert, California.

### Ernie Els, sinking a 30-foot putt on Yesterday, I wasn't a happy man after my the 17th green, on his way to victory. 71 and today I set my sights on 63 to win.

### The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO - Dennis Conner's Sters and Stripes came from more than a minute behind America3 oo the final run to find a better breeze and score a surprise victory over the all-women team in America's Cup racing off San Diego on Saturday. America3 had seemed well in control at

the turn for the finish line. But Stars and Stripes gambled on a freshening wind to the left of the course that lifted the boat past the women to its first victory of the third round of the defender trials. The victory boosts Stars and Stripes to a

tie with Young America on 13 points at the top of the defender scoreboard. America3

Stars and Stripes' tactician, Tom Whidden, said despite the standings, it was difficult to get an early reading on overall performance.

"This has probably been the most fluky series that I've seen," he said. "Honestly, we've had a hard time assessing when we've been last and we haven't been fast. The other thing is that we are racing two very different boats."

On a Gamble, Stars and Stripes Takes Yacht Race

On the challenger course, the top three syndicates, Team New Zealand, oneAustralia and NZL-39, all won and moved a step closer to securing one of four semili-

Racing on the defender course was delayed by almost an hour to allow Stars & Stripes to drop its mainsail and replace broken battens.

About 10 knots of breeze was blowing when racing began. Paul Cayard at the wheel of Stars and Stripes won the right hand side of the course and had a 4-secood lead going into the first beat.

Stars and Stripes held its advantage in a tacking duel and sailed to the inside position just before the top mark, forcing America3's Leslie Egnot to make two extra

tacks to go around the huoy.

Conner headed downwind with a 35second edge but the women were again slowed, this time by the spectator fleet which they had to dodge before starting

The women gained slightly downwind but saved their best move for the second beat. As the wind dropped to around 8 knots and began to shift to the right, America3 lifted past Stars and Stripes and put its nose ahead. By the halfway mark of the 18.55-mile (29.6-kilometer) course, the women were I minute, 36 seconds in front.

They hooked into a nice shift which we didn't see," said Whidden. "The tipoff should have been a lot of haze and smog coming off the shore."

On the second run, Stars and Stripes ained slightly but America3 held a comfortable lead into the last lap of the course. The critical move came after the fifth mark when America3 sailed to the right and Stars and Stripes headed left in the hope of finding more wind. Conner chose the correct course and swiftly made up the deficit, leading by 68 seconds at the end.

"It was pretty catastrophic," said America3 helmsman Leslie Egnot. "But we still had a slight advantage."

Stars and Stripes beaded left and chose the proper course, overtaking the women.

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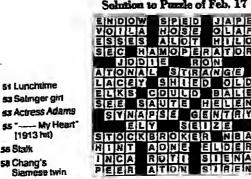
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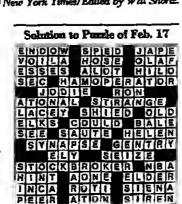
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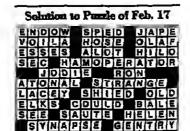
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### **LANGUAGE**

### Making There Agree, in Real Time

By William Safire

WASHINGTON — "There's millions of el-derly Americans who live on Social Security, who depend on Medicare," said the House minority leader, Richard Gephards of Missouri, making a not unpopular observation, but treating all us geezers as siogular.

The man who may be challenged for the 1996 Democratic nomination by fellow Democrat Gephardt also treats the real subjects of his sentences as siogular: "There's the talkers," said President Clinton, "and there's the doers."

There is millions? There is talkers? We stand now, in linguistic awe, before the mysterious word there. It can be an adverb ("There you go again"). a ooun ("Let Newt take it from there"), an interjection ("There, there, our day will come"), and a pronoun replacing a name ("Hi, there").

Today we examine the use of there as a "dummy subject," with no derogation inteoded of the gentlemen whose usages I cited.

There are two kinds of dummy theres. One is the existential there, as in "There are two kinds, etc." It is always iodelinite and unstressed, perhaps because it is not the true subject of the sentence, which is "two kinds" in a sentence that means "two kinds exist." The other is locative, and usually definite and stressed: "Right there is the money" tells you where the money is, even as "the money" remains the true subject.

Why do so many people use there is or there's, construing their dummy subject as singular when the true subject that follows the linking verb is plural? Otto Jespersen, the great Danish grammarian, took a guess: People sometimes begin speaking before they know what their true sub-

Shakespeare, unvexed by our modern rules of agreement, was all over the lot on this issue. In "King Lear," Gloucester warns his bastard son (00, wait - his illegitimate son. No, wait - his out-of-wedlock soo). "There is strange things toward, Edmund; pray you be careful." But in "Julius Caesar," his dummy subject took a singular verb that matched the true subject's number: "There is a tide in the affairs of men."

Gertude Stein, however, beloved in Oakland, California, for her "There is no there there" in a 1937 autohiography, used a dummy there for a real there, with the proper singular verb.

We can do as well as Stein and better than

Shakespeare. If we agree that subject-verb agreement counts, then we should agree that the verb following the dummy there should agree with the real subject that dribbles out after the verh.

To shore up my confidence, I turned to one of the great grammarians, James D. McCawley, the

linguistics professor at the University of Chicago. Did he agree with me that such usage as there's millions" should be condemned?

"The only sorts of usage that I condemn." he sponds, "are those that obscure useful distinctions and thus force others to do extra work when they want to draw the distinction. Here's the orders and the like clearly does not fit that description. But if it'll make you feel better to condemn it, I won't try to take away the (in this case) innocuous pleasure that it would give you.

"Unlike many of the usages that prescriptive rammarians condemn," says the only man in guistics whose reputation challenges Noam Chomsky's, "which contribute to clarity and effi-cieocy (the so-called split infinitive, for example), this one doesn't huy any advantage that I know of, and so you probably wouldn't do any harm by discouraging people from using it."

Brandishing a brace of dead ducks, President Clinton said of his hunting experience: "I really started feeling like a real person.

Time for a reality check (a term that comes from Freud's reality testing, "to separate the real from the imagined"): really is an adverh meaning "actually" (not "figuratively"), but is used mainly as an intensifier.

Real is an adjective meaning "true, genuine, not apparent or illusory." As an adjective, it correctly modifies a ooun, as in the president's "real person." However, you should not use an adjective to modify a verb; that's what adverbs are for. Thus, "I'm real tired" is incorrect; you should be really tired.

What, then, is real time? Can time, which is known for marching on, be bogus? The term was used first in 1953 in a mathematical publication: "the solution of problems in 'real time', i.e., in conjunction with instruments receiving and responding to stimuli." That meant "right then" or "now," but it soon began to stretch: In 1960, The New York Times was writing about weather bureau attempts "to make 'real time' forecasts of the weather - forecasts fresh enough to be useful."

That same stretching is going on today. To most computer users, real time means "on line, interactively, without delay." But not everyone uses real time to mean "immediate, going on at the moment." In the Senate Whitewater hearings last year, it was observed that witnesses would have been better off telling the truth "in real time" rather than dribbling it out over months.

In real reality, then, we really have two senses to real time: "live, oot recorded," and "the value of being contemporaneous.

New York Times Service

# A Designer Sheds Light All Over the World

By Brigid Grauman

NTWERP, Belgium - "I could A NTWERP, Beignum — I would just sit here glumly in the dark, complaining about the winter," Jan Van Lierde says, acting out the scene, swinging the slim designer lamp around to beam a small patch of yellow light on his desk. He then lets his head droop, imagining that "it's 6 in the evening and already dark outside, that we call day." that no one has called me all day.

But since Van Lierde is one of the world's leading lighting experts, this is not the way he chooses to hebave. Instead, on a typical gray Flemish winter evening, he switches on every

"My wife says: 'Shouldn't you turn off a few lights? You're sitting there

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An occasional series about people for whom style is a way of life

watching television, and the lights are oo all over the house, and in the gar-den," he said. "She doesn't think how wonderful I'll feel when I get up to go to the kitchen, for instance, as I walk through the blazing bouse."

He needn't worry about the electricity bills. His company, Kreon, which started out as a small lamp shop in 1981, is now a lighting consultancy firm with a line in light fixtures, producing some 30 models in a factory in the province of Limburg, It employs 65 people, has doubled its turnover in a year to 240 million Belgian francs (\$7.6 million), and has been scooping up awards, including the Grand Oscar Global Concept at the 1993 Batimat fair in Paris.

Van Lierde, 40, has installed lights in deceptively simple and discreet ways all over the world. He has plugged in Philippe Starck's Paramount Hotel in New York, Mario Bellini's Design Centre in Tokyo, the Palais de la Décou-verte in Paris, the Café de Marly at the Louvre, Verona's Scarpa Museum and Florence's Palazzo Strozzi. His most recent work includes the new Alliance Française in Singapore, designed by Dominique Perrault; the revamping of the Sydney Opera House; Giorgio Ar-



Jan Van Lierde, a leading lighting expert, knows how to "speak the same language" as architects.

mani's offices in Milan, and a palatial private villa in Tuscany.

He spends most of his waking bours thinking about light. It's a passion he has had since childhood, when the first thing he did when his family moved and he changed bedrooms was to set up the lights and his stereo. The rest came later, and still does. Not because he is, or ever was, afraid of the dark, but because for him light means comfort, and he likes comfort.

"If you study the movements of someone's eyes during an evening in a café," he said, "you'll ootice that the glare causes the iris to open and close repeatedly. That shouldn't happen. It means that the message to the brain is getting jiggled about the same way." Nor is static light what we need, he says. The hest kind of light for optimum productivity, it seems, is fluorescent light that wavers ever so slightly: A man of the techno age, Van

Lierde believes in the most sophisticated techniques. He is adamant that quite soon his desk (now a casual jumble of Hong Kong dollars, pass-port, letters, sketches) will be clear forever. Faxes and scanned architectural drawings will enter straight into the computer. His engineers don't use maquettes; they work in 3-D on the screens. Everything his company de-signs is tested for glare, bulb life and environmental friendliness.

Much of Van Lierde's knowledge and talent is rooted in architectural studies in Ghent and six years of practice, during which he built minimal, sober, timeless houses that were rather like his lights.

Everything changed when he be-came ill with meningitis and nearly died. By the time he was back on his feet, he had decided that he would refashion a career for himself in the

"I realized that the architects who came to my wife's lamp shop very often had oo idea what to do about the lighting," he said. "Then it occurred to me that there was a great advantage in the fact that I was an architect looking at an architect's work, that I could

speak the same language."

Many architects, says Van Lierde, tend to go for designer names for their lighting, like Sotsa, Citerio, Mario Botta or Ingo Maurer. But although their work may contain humor, poetry and strong visual ideas, their lighting belongs more to the world of design, in which form, not science, predominates, and in which function is the main concern. His ambition is to one day convince people to buy a lamp in the shape of an ordinary box. Inside, they would know, was the source of true light.

Brigid Grauman is the editor of the Bulletin, an English-language news-

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### Before the Mall, Shopping and Socializing on Ladies Mile

By Bernadine Morris

NEW YORK — In Milan, it's Via Mon-te Napoleone; in Paris, Rue Saint-Hooore, and in Loodon, Bond Street. Every city has its special shopping area where part of the attraction is "just looking," into the windows as well as at other shoppers.

Even in the age of television, shopping remains a form of entertainment. In New York City, it took its modern turn in the period between the Civil War and the turn of the century in the area that became known as Ladies Mile, extending from

More than 150,000 people and 172 po-licemen were drawn to the opening of the Siegel-Cooper store on 18th Street, in the shadow of the Sixth Avenue el, on Sept. 12, 1896. The store sold feather boas, birds and clothes and had a restaurant that

stalled in 1862, spurred the development of

window shopping as an outdoor sport. In "Ladies Mile: Emporia and Entertainments," at the Museum of the City of New York until Oct. 22, photographs and paintings portray the street action as well as the cast-iron buildings that housed stores like A. T. Stewart, R. H. Macy, Lord & Taylor, Arnold Constable, Best & Co. and FAO Schwarz.

Displays of clothing and artifacts show the goods that were sold in the stores on Ladies Mile. Some have disappeared, but others enjoyed renewal as the tide of shop-

pers eventually moved uptown. Women dressed up to go shopping, their wasp-waisted dresses with floor-length skirts and ballooning sleeves. They shopped not only for dresses made in Paris, but also for furniture, silver, linens and toys. They could also visit the restaurants and tea shops with their friends. To go shopping, respectable women in New York were permitted to travel without an escort, ooted JoAnne Olian the curator of the exhibition.

A tableau of the clothes people wore 100

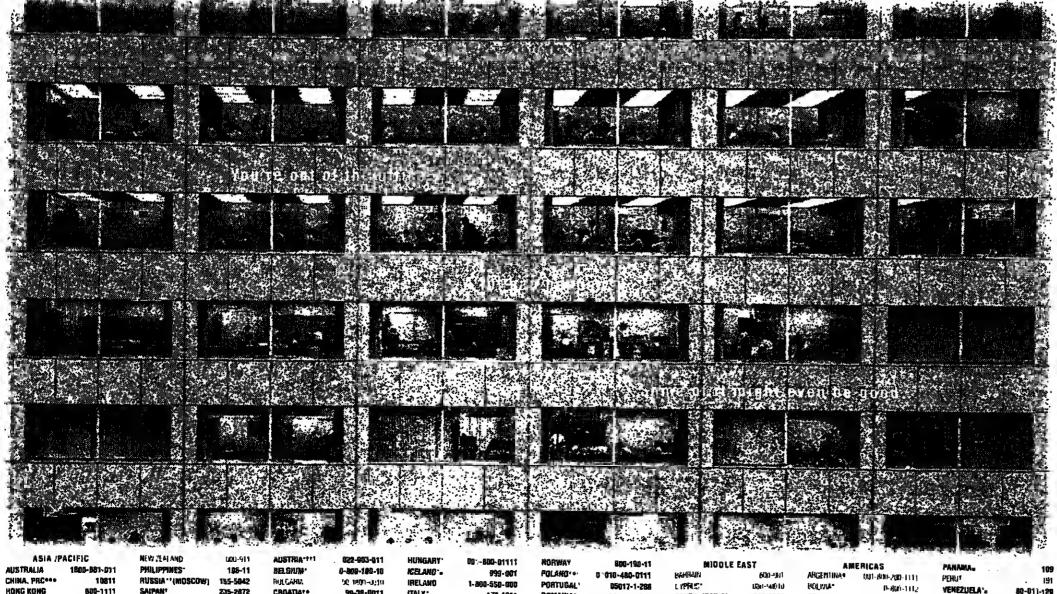
years ago not only shows the corseted shapes and elegant fabrics of the times, but is totally authentic as well. Each of the garments is known to have been sold in the stores along Ladies Mile.

A cotton shirtwaist, from E. A. Morrison, a dry-goods store, has billowing sleeves, a white stand-up collar and is typical of the daytime styles worn by shop girls and society women alike. It was among the first fashion successes of the infant ready-towear industry in New York.

In an adjoining room is a display of silver pieces bearing names like Gorham and Tiffany. A note pad needle case and salt cellar dangle from a silver chatelaine io de cuidded io a deil. A datasol with a silver handle and silver calling-card cases are items that have vanished from everyday life.

An occasional photograph of women crowded together at sewing machines or in offices gives another view of the social order of the day. It is a charming portrayal that tells you everything you ceed to know about one segment of big city life a century ago.

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